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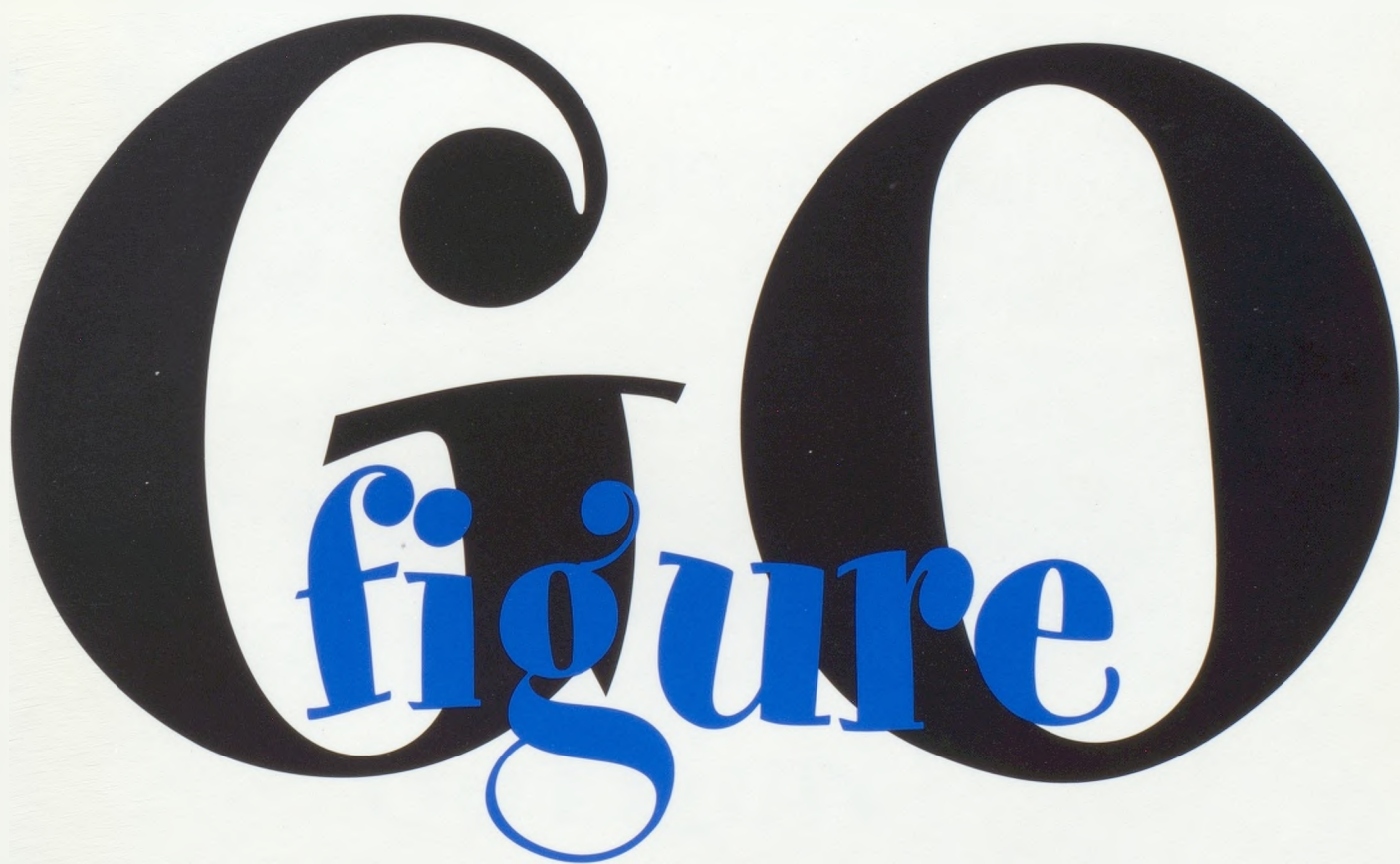
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**A**fter scoring a point against Council Bluffs Abraham Lincoln, coaches Rick Brooks and Mary VanHeukelom and senior Shelly Nissen cheer on the varsity volleyball team. The team won the regional final match to advance to the state tournament for the first time ever, where they placed **second** in class 3A. *photo by Nathan Benn*



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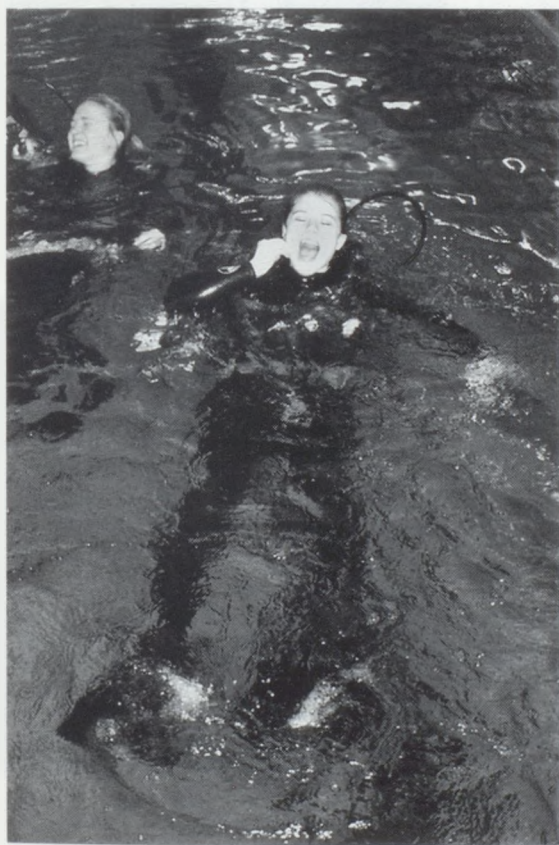
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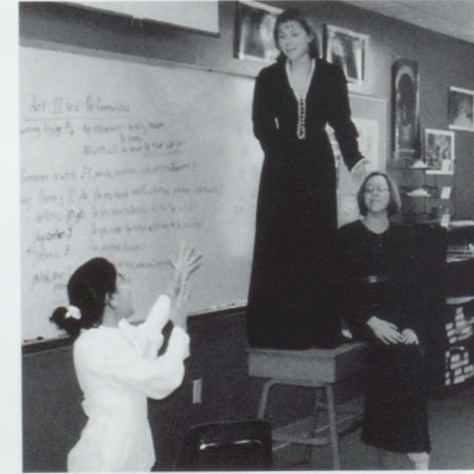
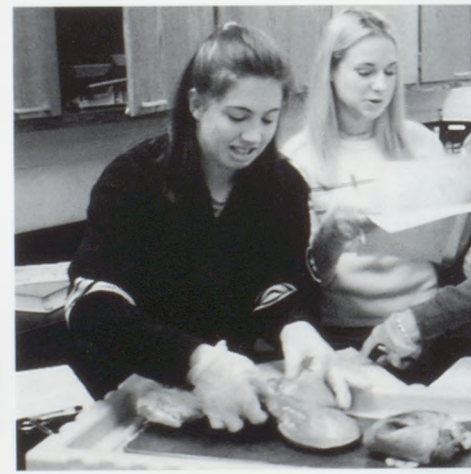
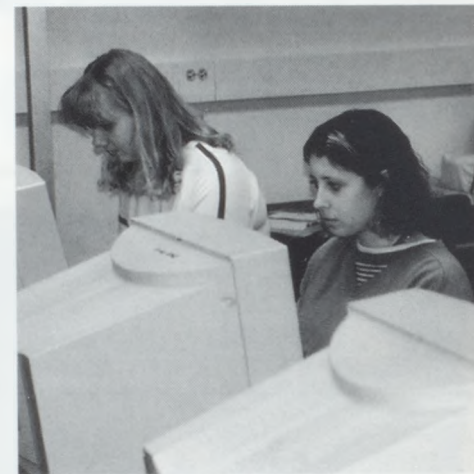
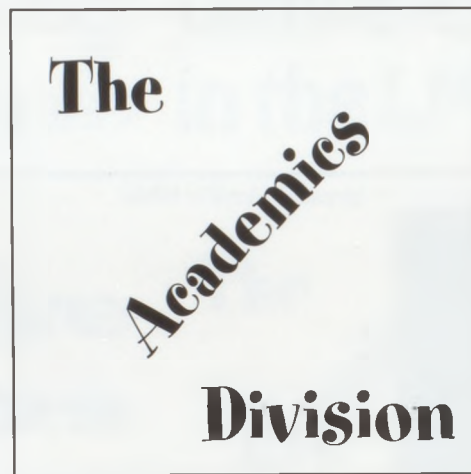
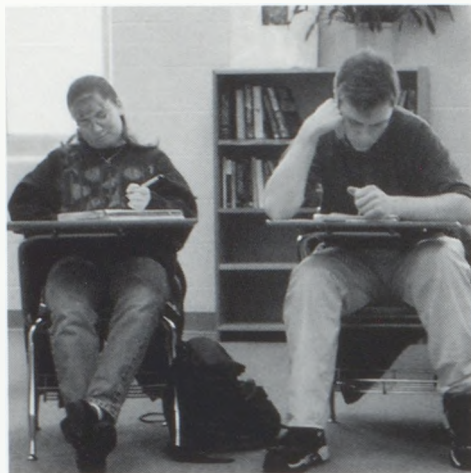
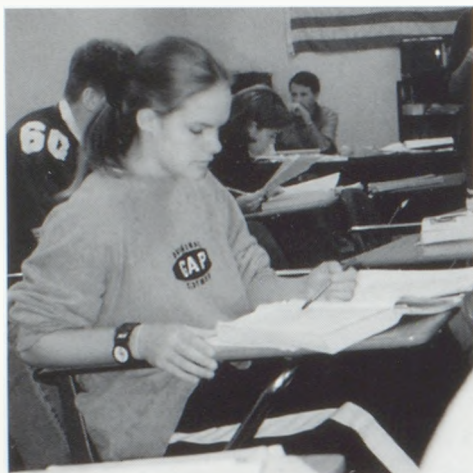
# Go Figure! '98

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**K**icking back to the shallow end, juniors Jeny Oderkirk and Kendra Reames emerge from practicing an underwater breathing exercise in Marine Biology at Central Campus. The exercise prepared divers for their trip to Florida. *photo by Jen Goode*





**T**op- Junior Katie Poston works on a study guide in A.P. U.S. History. *photo by Jennifer White*

**M**id-Freshman Paul Soderlund glazes a vessel in Ess. of Art. *photo by S. Strack*

**B**ottom- Senior Lanie Smith measures focal points of lenses in Conceptual Physics. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**T**op-Seniors Lyna Milbrandt and Ryan Pierick do a miniwriting in Advanced Comp. *photo by Jenny White*

**B**ottom- Sophomores Angela Jennings and Steph Peterson dissect a lung in Biology. *photo by Emily Miller*

**T**op- Junior Ryan Hoffman demonstrates a defense move with Steve Lee in gym. *photo by Steph Strack*

**M**id- Freshmen Amanda Hargens and Katie McLaughlin work on a Computer App. project. *photo by B. Wells*

**B**ottom-Freshmen Girija Mahajan, Meredith Avaux and Laura Warren enact "Romeo & Juliet" in Ms. Julie Schaeffer's freshman English. *photo by M. Colligon*



# Whine and moan about homework

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- 34** - Chapters to read in the **two** A.P. U.S. History books
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- 10** - Papers to write in Advanced Composition
- 4** - Chambers in the heart
- 7** - Self-defense positions shown by Steve Lee in gym
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- 5** - Acts in Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet"

You waited for your favorite class. You knew this was as good as it would get, and for school it wasn't that bad. As you walked into the classroom you felt a sigh of relief.

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## Your Voices, Your Choices

The favorite class for freshmen was Physical Science. "He (Mr. Dennis Briggs) challenges us by giving us challenging homework assignments and labs," said Brandy Nuss.

Sophomores' favorite class was Accelerated World Studies. "It's an interesting class," said Jessi Reece. "We learn stuff about today and tie it in with our past."

U.S. History was the juniors' favorite class. "The concept isn't that hard," said Pat O'Hollearn. "You've seen it a **hundred** times before or heard of most of this stuff."

Government was the favorite class of seniors. "The way Mr. (Jerry) Stratton teaches makes it easy to understand and learn a new concept," said Rachel Webster.



### Sarah Green, '98

"It (a favorite class) is a place where you can go in and be yourself and be accepted. It's a place where a teacher admires you for who you are, what you do and doesn't judge you against anyone else."



Making a transparency, sophomores Katie Keck and J.D. Marvin prepare to teach Accelerated World Studies. It was Keck's favorite class because it was activity oriented.

photo by Melissa Miller

Freshman Kelli Ryan holds a can in hot water. Ryan said Physical Science was her favorite class because the labs made the class a hands-on experience for her.

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## What class would you recommend to others?

**I**n World Lit., freshman Ann Miller and seniors Missy Knowles and Jorie Moravec perform "MacBeth." Knowles liked this class because she liked to see how plays worked. *photo by Alycia R. Comer*



**Tiffany Wagner, '01**  
"Developing Citizenship because we learn about the rights we have as citizens."



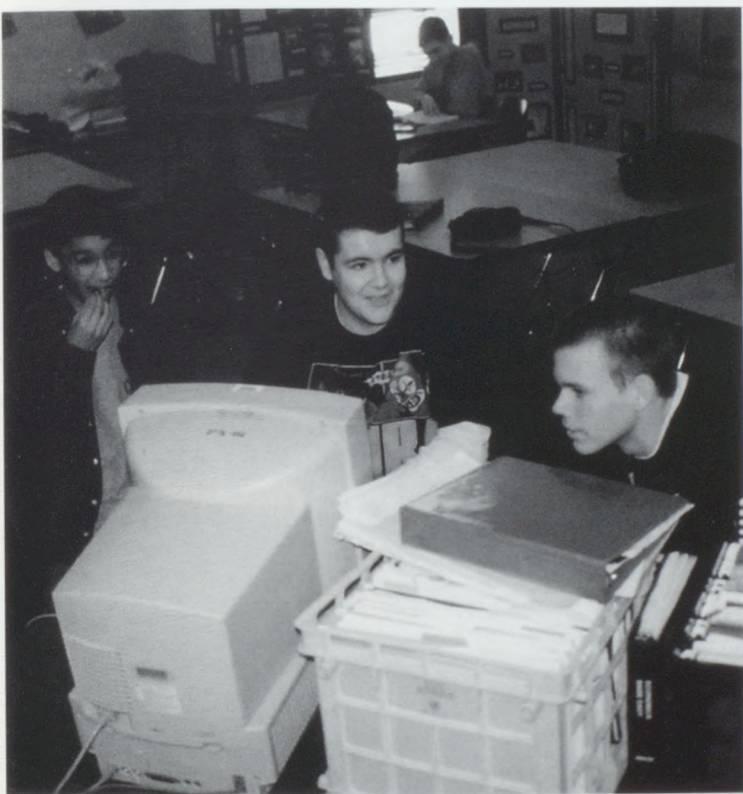
**Nick Munoz, '99**  
"Photo Art because it got me to expand my views of how our world operates."



**Molly Wohl, '00**  
"Sociology because it's helpful, plus Mrs. (Kelly) Coleman is a great teacher."

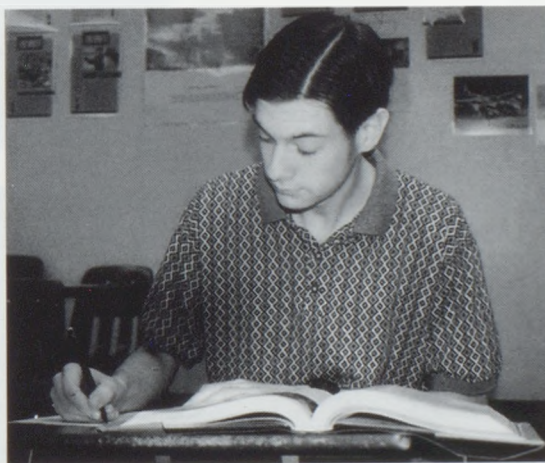


**Corrien Mundy '98**  
"Applied Economics was fun because the class was a hands-on opportunity."



**S**ophomores Sandeep Rao, Chris Davis and Joel Beary work on the computer. Davis liked E.L.P. because of the many research methods. *photo by Alycia R. Comer*

**I**n U.S. History junior Matt Krueger does a worksheet. It was Krueger's favorite class because he liked to learn about the U.S. *photo by Mish Norton*



## What teacher makes his/her class your favorite?

**Emily Harper, '01**



"Computer Applications with Mr. (Craig) Oldham. Computers seem to come easy to me and he helped me expand my knowlegde."

**TaNika Dixon, '99**



"Ms. (Julie) Schaeffer in Experiences in Writing. She makes it fun. She's hilarious and it's a class that is understandable to me."

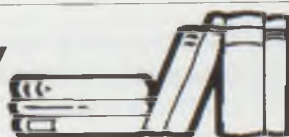
**Josh House, '98**



"Mr. (Mike) Modlin (Architecture) gives us a challenge. He'll give us an assignment and he makes us figure it out ourselves."

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You had to take classes no matter if you liked them or not.  
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 be there - unless you liked serving detentions.

# living through it

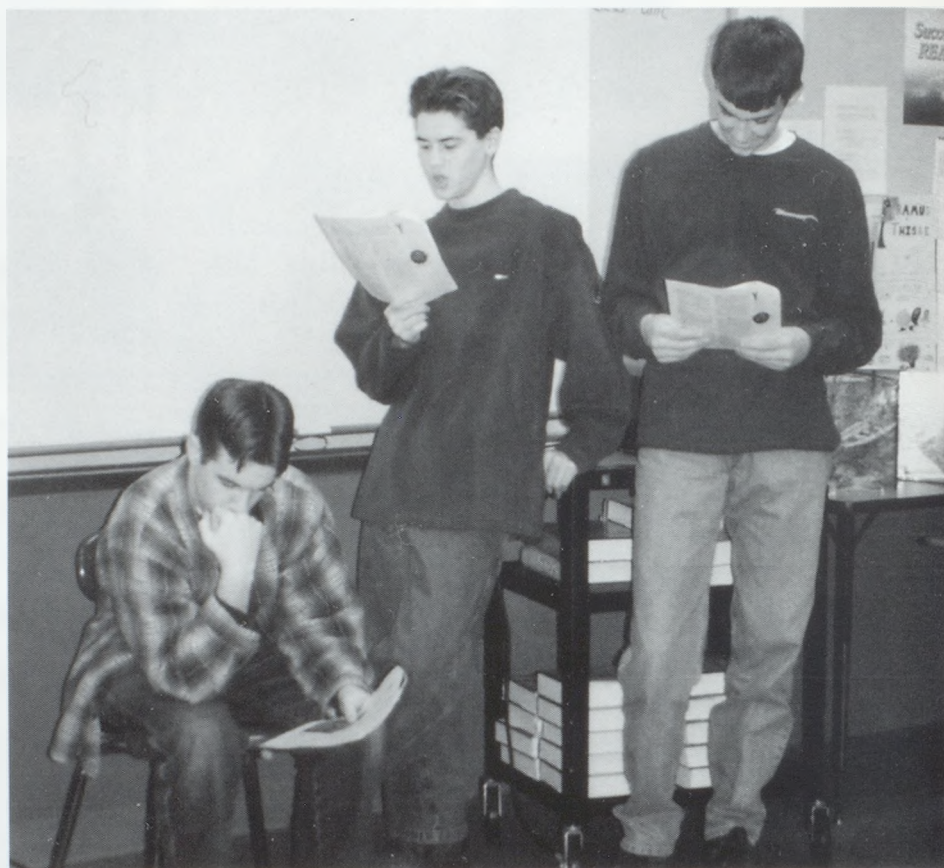
## Your Voices, Your Choices

The least favorite class for freshmen was math. Lindsey Kroeger said, "Math is my least favorite class because some teachers go over stuff more than once and it gets repetitive."

Sophomores' least favorite class was math. Chelsea Hughes agreed that Math II was her least favorite class. She said, "You just sit there and take notes while Mr. (Rick) Brooks lectures."

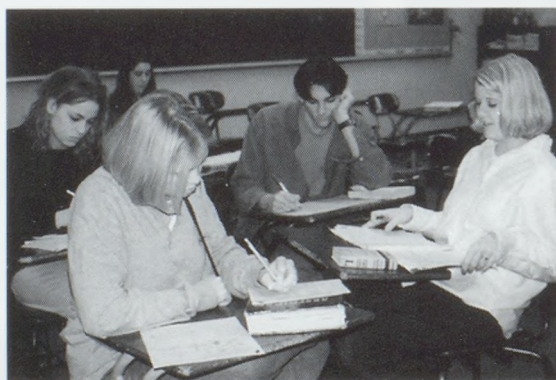
Math was the juniors' least favorite class. Dennis Dane said, "Personally, I don't like Pre-Calculus because it is hard to understand and you have to create your own formulas."

P.E. was the seniors' least favorite class. J.J. Pugh said, "It's pointless and if you are involved in sports, then you shouldn't have to take it because you are already working out after school."



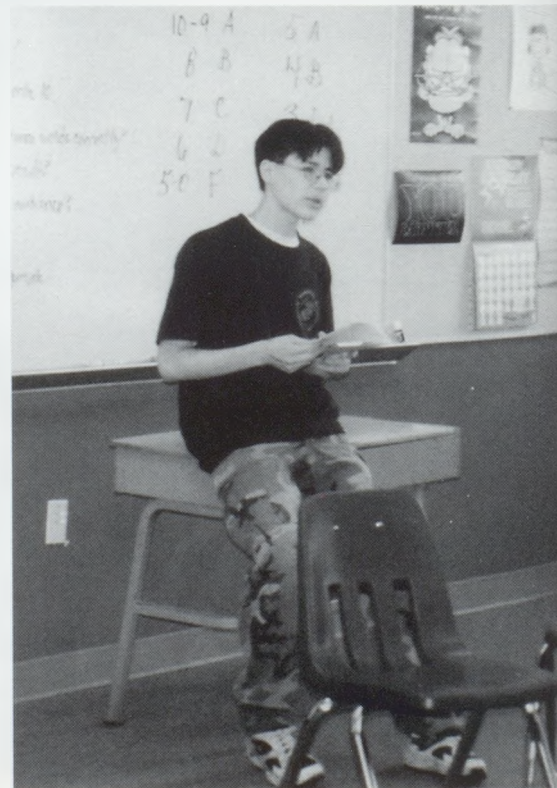
## Jennifer Weaver, '98

"My definition of a least favorite class is a class that has a lot of talking involved. I do think that classes should have a lot of group work included to make the class a little better."



During Spanish IV, juniors Sara Morris and Rachel Bryant and seniors Luke Czerwinski and Anne Schoville work on a project. Morris said she didn't like the weekly essays. photo by Jennifer White

In Freshmen English, Brian Oviatt presents a scene from "Romeo and Juliet." He had argued with Mrs. Julie Schaeffer about taking a zero because he didn't like performing. photo by Michelle Collignon





## What would you change about *ONE* of your classes?

**D**uring Myths and Legends, juniors Nate Smock and Jason Stamps and senior Matt Schonhorst read aloud. Schonhorst said he didn't like the worksheets they did. *photo by Michelle Collignon*



Kris Barrantes, '01  
"I would make the work in Physical Science more interactive and have less lectures."



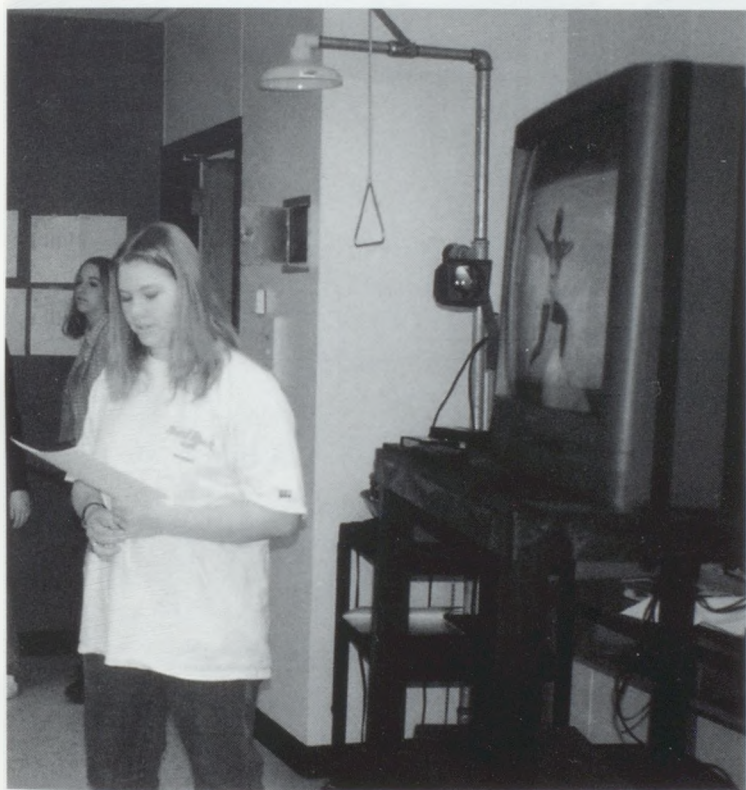
Sarah Tuttle, '00  
"I'd make P.E. not be required all **four** years so I could take other classes in place of it."



Cindy Shumaker, '99  
"I would like Math **III** to not require everyone to buy a graphing calculator."

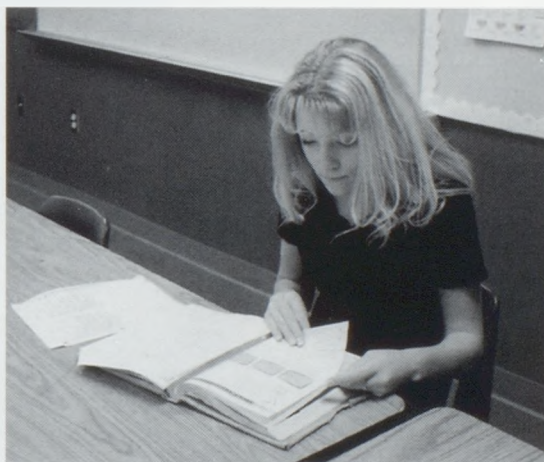


Aditya Mahajan, '98  
"I wouldn't have A.P. French in the ICN Room because we consider Dowling's schedule."



**S**ophomore Jaime McMillen explains an ice-skating event in Biology. She said, "I don't like Biology because the concepts are hard." *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

**J**unior Natalie Grimm studies her notes for a test in Math **III**. Grimm thought they had to take too many notes in class. *photo by Michelle Collignon*



## What class do you really dread going to and why?

Jared Haag, '01



"Developing Citizenship because everything you do is pointless. We do projects too, but I don't do them because they take forever."

Andy Johnson, '99



"Chemistry because our grades are never posted and my papers always get lost. There are also too many lectures in that class."

Stacie Georgen, '00



"Health because we express our opinions, then Mr. (Corey) Rhoads says what he thinks without letting anyone else have a say."

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Face it, you all had that **one** class you dreaded going to. You had to work hard because you were worried about it messing up your grade point. In the end you were really stressed out

# trying to keep up

## Your Voices, Your Choices

The hardest class for freshmen was math. Alyssa Ranney said, "It is really hard because we learn a lot of new concepts involving formulas that are hard for me to remember."

Sophomores' hardest class was also math. Jaime McMillen said, "The concepts are harder to learn and I don't always understand what we are being taught by our teachers in class."

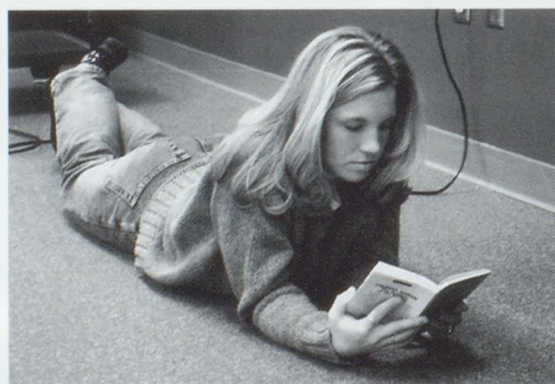
Chemistry was the juniors' hardest class. Erin Derby said, "Chemistry is hard because the teacher is very demanding. You can't ask questions; you have to think for yourself."

Government was the seniors' hardest academic class. Alex Ricard said, "Government is my hardest class, because you have a lot of homework and there are really hard essay tests."



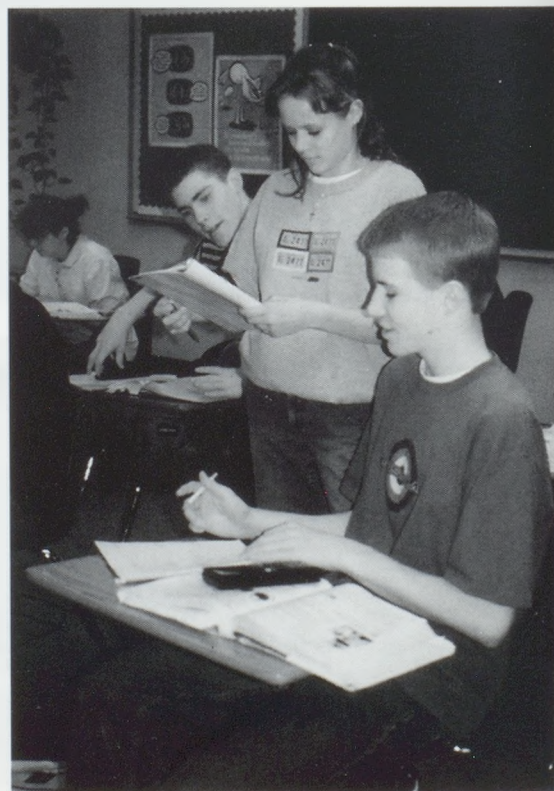
### Alanna Allen, '01

"What makes a class harder than another depends on whether or not I'm good at that subject. To do better, I work harder in that area and I try to pay more attention in that class."



During A.P. English, senior Erin Flynn reads a book. Flynn said, "A.P. English is a class where you need to set aside an hour-and-a-half each night to read and are quizzed almost everyday." photo by Jen Goode

Comparing answers, freshmen Ryan Johnson and Sarah Kiester and sophomore Brady Jacobsen look at homework in Math II. Johnson said permutations were the hardest thing he learned. photo by Emily Miller





## What do you do to relieve stress from hard classes?

Acting in a Spanish III skit, sophomores Stacie Schroeder and Stephanie Nyberg pretend to drive a car. Schroeder said, "Spanish is hard because you have to remember all the tenses and endings and know what they mean in English."

photo by Megs Stetson



**Chaundra Smith, '01**  
"I usually run or work out, and sometimes I just don't let things bother me."



**Leslie McAtee, '99**  
"I try to do other things with my friends so I can keep my mind off what I need to do."



**Mike Raes, '00**  
"I just take things one day at a time and try to get my stuff done as best as I can."



**Jon Martin, '98**  
"I take my anger out on other people. I feel better for making their lives as bad as mine."

Reading the newspaper, freshman Allison Maas edits it for journalism. Maas said the class was difficult since she had many deadlines.

photo by Mel Miller

Junior Dan Whitten burns a cheese curl in Honors Chemistry. Whitten said the class was hard because it required math skills.

photo by Nicole Frank



## What was the hardest project or assignment you did?

**Wendy Dennis, '99**



"For chemistry we had to research on the Internet. I didn't have it at home, so I had

to use the computers at school and there wasn't enough time."

**Chelsey Larson, '00**



"For Math II, we had to design a water fountain using the quadratic formula. I did not under-

stand the concepts we had to use to make it."

**Lisa Koch, '98**



"Reading 'Great Expectations' in A.P. English; it was a really boring and dry book

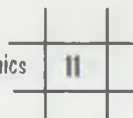
that I wasn't interested in. Then we had to write journals on it."

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Academics





You signed up for the class where there were little to no expectations of you. You took the class you could get a good grade in and left room for the fun stuff.

# easy way out

## Your Voices, Your Choices

Developing Citizenship was the freshmen's easiest class. "We don't have a lot of homework," said Johnathan Overbeck. "It's stuff we already know and we don't take many tests."

The sophomores' easiest classes were World Studies, Health and P.E. "World Studies is my easiest class because I can understand the material," said Heather Schmidt.

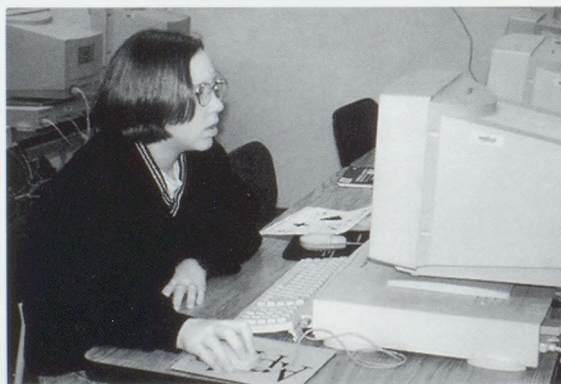
Myths and Legends was **one** of the easiest classes for juniors. "In Myths and Legends we read the stories and fill in the answers on our worksheets all during classtime," said Joel Ashby.

Government was the seniors' easiest class. "Everything in government is out of the book. I took Developing Citizenship my freshman year, so it's all review," said Jessica Way.



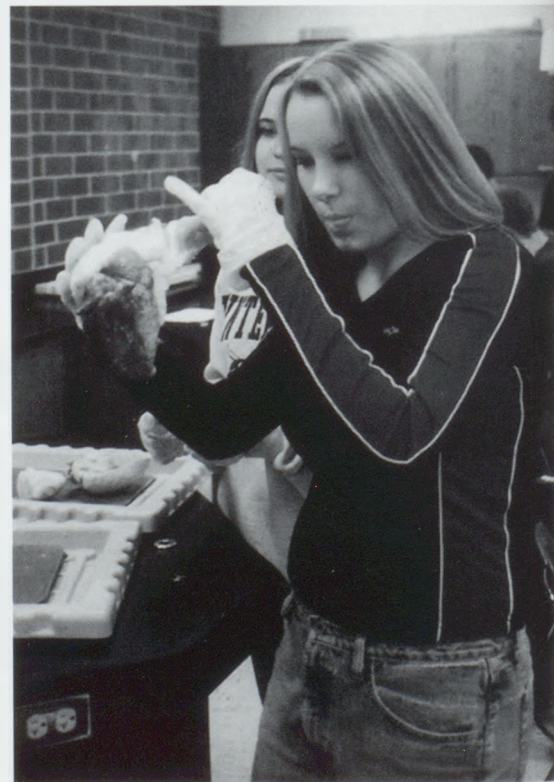
## Spencer Wise, '00

"A class you can get a good grade in without putting forth much effort is an easy class. By not putting forth much effort, you don't do much homework or try hard, and it doesn't take time out of school to do."



Freshman Lauren Warren designs drawings in Computer Applications. She said, "We never have homework because we get it done in class. I know some about computers so it's easier." photo by Steph Strack

Looking down the trachea, sophomore Andrea Helin dissects a cow's heart and lung. "I enjoy science and it interests me, so it comes easy for me," said Helin. photo by Kelli Brown



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## What makes a class easy to get a good grade in?

**P**ainting the glaze onto his jar, sophomore Nathan Rippey works on his Essentials of Art clay project. He said it's easy because you don't take anything home. *photo by Stephanie Strack*



**Jessica Behnke, '01**  
"In Computer Apps. there is no homework and computers are easy to work with."



**Joel Siedenburg, '00**  
"In health class we don't even have a text book, so we don't have to do any work."



**Nate Smock, '99**  
"It (U.S. History) interests me, and it's **one** class I actually care about."



**Angela Schaad, '98**  
"(In math) if a teacher knows what they are doing and can explain it well, it's easy."



**W**hile buttering bread, freshman Tanner Smart waits for the frying pan to warm up. He said, "I'm a good cook, so it's easy for me." *photo by Stephanie Strack*

**D**uring P.E., freshman Lindsey Haag lifts hand-weights. She said **one** just had to go to gym and act like they're doing something. *photo by Steph Strack*



## What do teachers do that make a class easy?

**Shelly Sheldahl, '99**



"Mrs. (Sarah) Burkley (Creative Writing) gives us writing ideas and sits while we write, but you have to turn in your writing by a certain date."

**Emily Garrett, '00**



"If teachers explain things a lot, have in-depth discussions and don't give any homework, it makes a class a lot easier."

**Anne Schoville, '98**



"She (Mrs. Cindy Partington, American Literature) gives us extra chances to make up our work and extra credit on the tests."

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## Angela Lee, '01

*"A lot of homework means having homework every single day and it means having a lot of stress to get things done on time."*



**S**winging her slinky, senior Kim Kohles tests the properties of waves. "It takes a lot of time to understand the concepts and to do the math problems."

*photo by Emily Miller*

**W**hile using good eye contact, sophomore Ben Wicks concludes his occupational speech. "She wants us to learn how to give good speeches, so it takes time."

*photo by Emily Miller*



On average, Americans spend about six months of their lives waiting at red lights.

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# workload

## Your Voices, Your Choices

Some freshmen thought that math had the most homework. "Math homework always takes the longest to do of any of my classes," said Molly Haight.

Math also was the class that carried the biggest workload for the sophomores. Mike Raes said, "It usually takes me around an hour to finish the assignment and study."

Many juniors agreed that math had the most homework. "We have a lot of homework because there are so many formulas and equations to stuff into our heads," said Karen Rufer.

The seniors, however, broke the math chain. They decided that physics had the most homework. "We have too much," said Jessica Way. "I always do it like **ten** minutes before the class starts."

After school you headed home. You realized that it was time to hit the books. You prepared yourself for a night at your desk finishing that tedious homework assignment.





## What class gives you the most homework?

**D**igging into her crucible, junior Ellen Dane tries to speed up the food burning process in chemistry. "It takes a lot of time because most of the math problems are comprehension and analysis," said Dane. *photo by Emily Miller*



**Aaron Knowles, '01**  
"Math II, we have homework every night. It can take me up to an hour and a half to do."



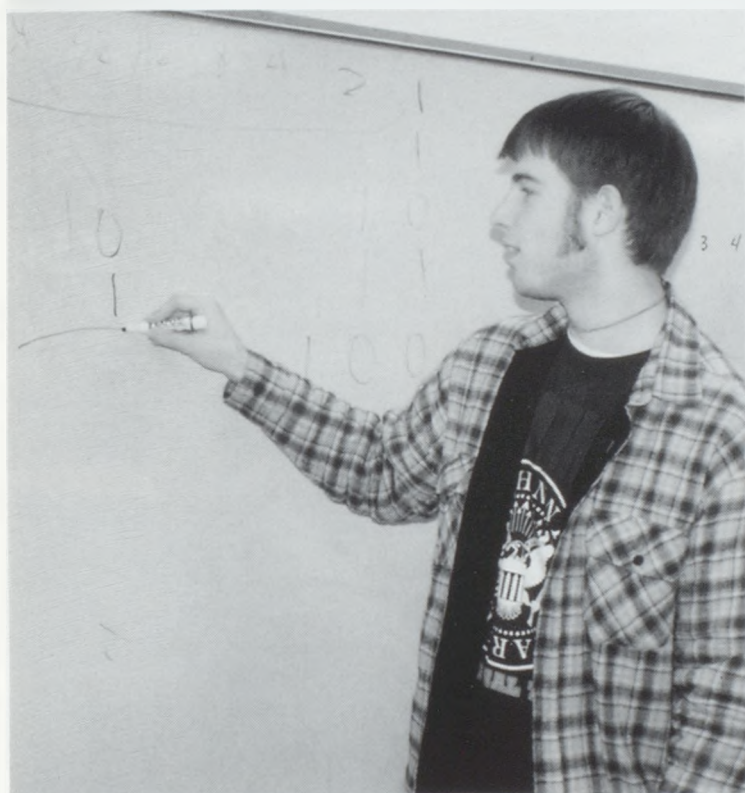
**David Batchelder, '00**  
"Everyday in math we have to do assignments out of the book and do thoughts of the day."



**Jessica Ligas, '98**  
"Conceptual Physics, we have lots of labs, and **one or two** tests a week."



**Morgan McChurch, '99**  
"Chemistry, it takes a while but it's usually not too hard to understand."



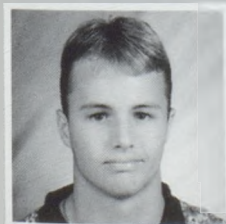
**J**unior Troy Troubaugh adds binary numbers. "Pre-Calc has to prepare you for Calc, so it takes a lot of time," said Troubaugh. *photo by Emily Miller*

**S**ophomore Tasha Mart draws a masked man from "La Vol de la Jarconde" in French class. Mart said they had to do a lot of work to earn their grade. *photo by E. Miller*



## What is the longest assignment that you have had?

**Zac Bronson, '00**



"In biology we had to do a research project on a hormone or a drug. It took me forever to find all of the information."

**Tiffany Swanson, '98**



"A pop-up book in Conceptual Physics. We had to have **three to five** different pop-ups. It also had to be **12** pages long."

**Rory Flynn, '99**



"It was in Pre-Calc. We had to do a project on how holograms work. We were given about a week and a half to do it."



You learned the basics and applied them to your future.  
 You prepared for upcoming careers and classes. You just  
 tried to get ahead while you were here.

# taking advantage

## Your Voices, Your Choices

The most beneficial class for freshmen was Physical Science due to the guiding assignments. "They (the assignments) have good questions and cover everything in the chapter," said Curt Dillon.

Sophomores' most beneficial class was Biology because of the hands-on applications. "I'm a visual learner and doing stuff I can look at or put my hands on helps me," said Kelly Andersen.

United States History was the juniors' most beneficial class. "I'm Walker said it was due to the note-taking, which helps students remember the information and current events.

Government was the seniors' most beneficial class mostly because it was required. "I don't have anything else that's required," said Valeria Sloan-Lyon. "I have to have it to graduate."



### Mike Raes, 10

"A beneficial class is a class that will effectively teach you things that will be beneficial to your future. It will teach you basic stuff you do in your everyday life or in the future."



Reviewing their chemistry, juniors Jeny and Laura Oderkirk look over their notes. L. Oderkirk said the class will help her understand concepts in other science classes.  
 photo by Kelli Brown

In Mr. Ralph Young's Construction Tech. class, senior J.J. Pugh sets up a plumbing set. He said the class was useful because, "It's stuff I'll use in the future when I get a house." photo by Nathan Benn



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## Which class will help prepare you for your future?

Using a lens during Conceptual Physics, seniors Stephanie Black and Marcia Mattern project the candle flame on to a screen. Mattern said it was her most beneficial class. "You can apply it to stuff around you now that you know about it." *photo by Kelli Brown*



Matt McCrea, '01

"Spanish because a lot of companies will look for your ability to speak a **second** language."



Jill McCleary, '99

"Physics because I want to be an astronomer and you have to understand the laws and equations."



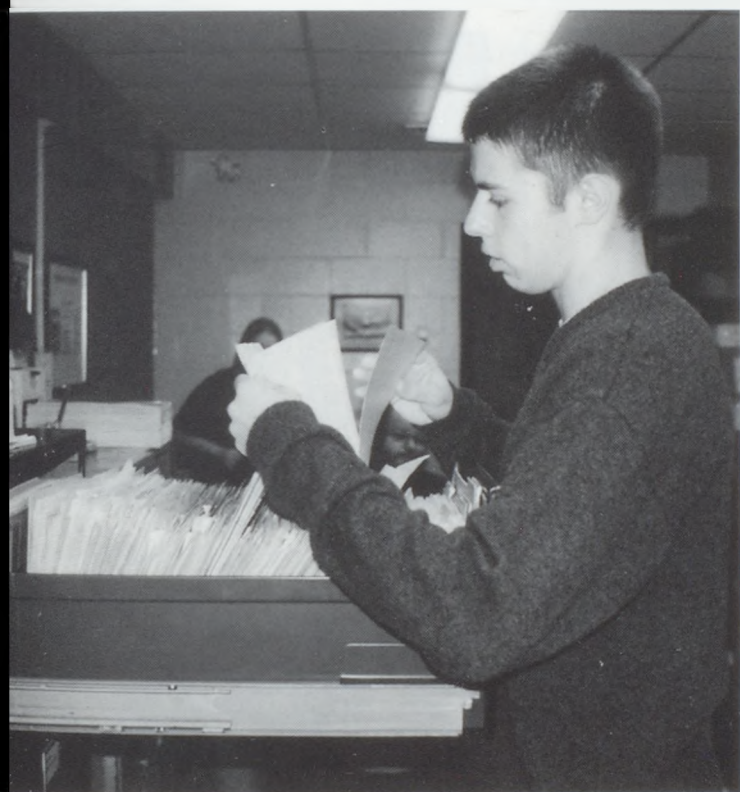
Blake Helland, '00

"Health because it teaches you how to take care of yourself and how to deal with emotions."



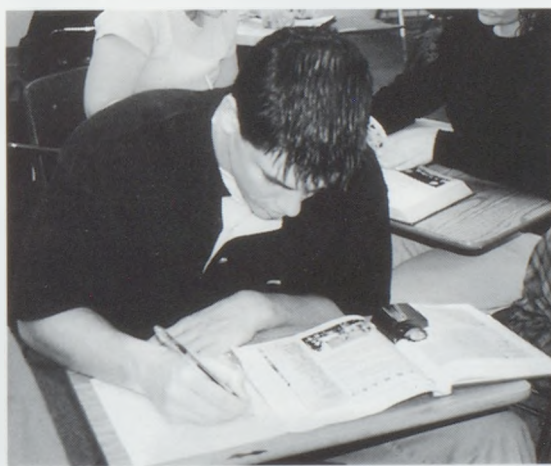
Errin Clark, '98

"Painting because I want to be a fashion designer. It helps me learn different mediums."



During R.O.T.C., junior Dan Whitten looks at a cadet's record. It was his most useful class because it taught leadership and acceptance. *photo by Kelli Brown*

Sophomore Adam Walz starts his vocab during Speech. Walz said the class was helpful because it taught public speaking skills. *photo by Kelli Brown*



## Which teacher makes his/her class the most beneficial?

Tara Thornton, '01



"Mrs. (Marty) Pierce because she taught me more about Spanish than last year. She explained it better and made it more fun by doing skits."

John Good, '99



"Mr. (Jerry) Stratton because he's an awesome teacher. He brings in current events and explains what's going on in the real world."

Andrea Helin, '00

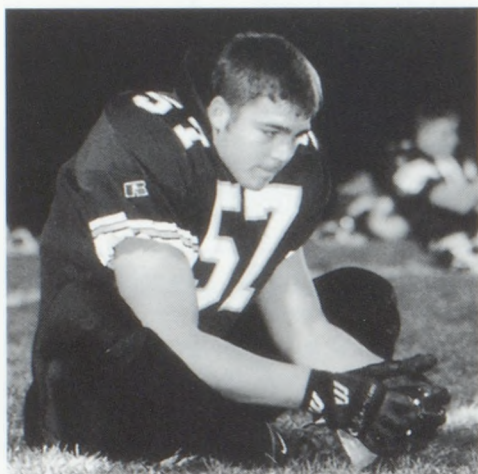


"Mr. (Jim) Mahoney because he shows you how to be responsible by making you look for the information (on homework) yourself."

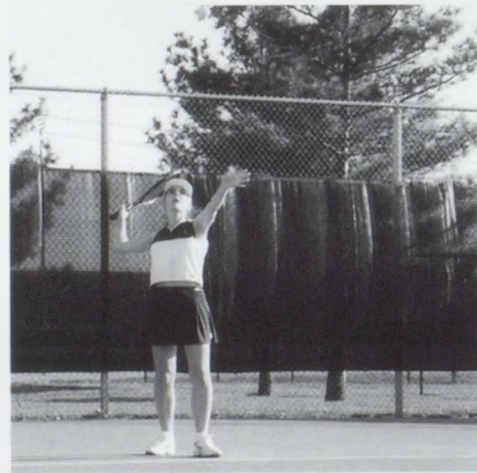
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**Go figure!**





# The Athletics Division



**T**op-Sophomore Adam Tillman warms up for a varsity football game. *photo by Jen Goode*

**M**id- Senior Jodi Peitzman watches her drive. *photo by Megan Stetson*

**B**ottom- Freshman Ryan Hyde kicks down field during a freshman game. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**T**op-Junior Amanda Sellers practices hurdling for the Johnston Inv. *photo by Mish Norton*

**B**ottom- Senior Anne Sciorrotta waits to smack her serve during a doubles match. *photo by Nicole Frank*

**T**op- Sophomore Joe Rittgers swims the breaststroke at the Urbandale pool. *photo by Mish Norton*

**M**id- Junior Cassie Christensen cheers for the varsity boys' basketball team. *photo by Mish Norton*

**B**ottom-Sophomore Nick Bass arches his back over the high jump at the Little Hawkeye Conference meet. *photo by Mish Norton*



# Condition and push yourself

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- 15** - Push-ups in pre-game warm-up for football
- 10** - Girls on the entire golf team
- 28** - Freshman soccer goals scored versus opponents' **15**
- 20th** - Girls' track place at state
  - 4** - Most # of meets for girls' tennis in **one** week
  - 11** - JHS boys out of **21** on the Urbandale swim team
- 3rd** - Place received by the cheerleaders at state
- 70** - Inches high jumped by Nick Bass at the L.H.C.



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# R AISING THE STANDARD

*Softball season goes down in history as the best ever after advancing to district finals*



photo by Michelle Norton

Catching the ball, Kelly Sloan stops one of Kiester's pitches. Sloan made **second** team all-conference.

*"I loved catching for Kyla (Kiester). She was an awesome pitcher, but she was also a great friend. She helped me a lot through the season both on and off the field. It's hard to think that I will probably never catch for her again, since I won't go to Colorado State."*

*~ Kelly Sloan, '98*

Fighting off the pitch, junior Rachel Bryant fouls off the ball during a varsity game. "It was our best season so far. We were higher in the rankings than ever before, and other teams knew we were good," said Bryant. photo by Michelle Norton



## JUNIOR VARSITY

The figures: 17-9-1

The JV played many games, giving them some varsity experience. "I liked that there were a lot of games we played in. We got a chance to play with the varsity, which was good because we look up to them and we can see how it will be like playing next year," said junior Jill Palensky. According to Coach Jerry Kiester, the highlight of the season was when senior Kelli Brown pitched a perfect no-hitter against Pella Christian.

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 19-5

The freshmen were able to compete in the metro league instead of little league. "It was a change because the high school team is more competitive," said sophomore Monica Inge. With the change came improvement. "The girls played really well, had a lot of fun and became more aggressive," said Coach Christy Sackette. "Beating Urbandale the first **two** games of the season was the highlight of the year and the most exciting."



N Polk 1-0, Lincoln 2-1, North 2-3, Urbandale 1-0

Dowling 0-7, Estherville 9-0, Oskaloosa 0-1, Clarke 6-5, Pella Christian 0-1, Pella Christian 4-0, Winterset 12-2, Webster City 3-0, Carroll 10-2, Carroll Kuemper 2-1, Pleasantville 9-0, Pella 3-2, Saydel 2-1, ADM 7-0, WG 0-3, **Districts:** Norwalk 4-0, **Districts:** Urbandale 0-4, **Regionals:** Lewis Central 10-0, **Regionals:** Urbandale 0-3.



photo by Tammy Jo Walz

**C**oach Gary Snyder reminisces about the season at the banquet. It was Snyder's first year coaching for the team.

"Throughout the season we had to knock down some barriers to beat teams. We had a lot of great games, but I think the win over Urbandale was **one** of the best. It was played at such a high level of intensity. We had never defeated Urbandale before."

~ Coach Gary Snyder



photo by Michelle Norton

**P**ulling her head, Dana Schultz takes her turn at bat. Schultz rotated batting positions throughout the year.

"I liked the bus rides because we would sing and goof off on the way to our games. **One** time we had the windows down and were eating grapes. (Senior) Kelly Sloan and I started throwing them out the window at cars with sun roofs and the grapes would go in the roof."

~ Dana Schultz, '98



**G**raduate Kyla Kiester winds up to release a pitch. Kiester had more than 1,000 strikeouts in her high school career, and she pitched her **thousandth** during the first game of the Pella Christian double-header. Kiester was a Little Hawkeye all-conference selection and a five-year letter winner.

**J**unior Jeny Oderkirk sprints to third base as Pella Christian's out fielders run to catch a fly ball. Oderkirk had a batting average of .382, the highest on the varsity team. She played both JV and varsity and was a first-year varsity letter winner.

photo by Michelle Norton

## when it counts

- #1 win/loss record in school history
- 103 career wins for Kyla Kiester, '97
- 23 career no-hitters for Kyla Kiester, '97
- 37 wins, the most ever for the varsity team
- 4 players selected to Little Hawkeye all-conference team: Kyla Kiester, '97; Sarah Nichols, '97; Heidi Kiester, '98; Lacey Corcoran, '99

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Varsity 25-16-1: Fort Dodge 4-1, Ottumwa 0-7, Dowling 4-3, Pella 2-11, Pella Christian 11-16, Pella Christian 7-6, Urbandale 3-5, Ankeny 3-13, East 1-11, Saydel 17-13, Roosevelt 7-6, Boone 2-7, Grinnell 5-3, Roosevelt 13-9, Atlantic 10-0, Winterset 15-3, Pella 2-5, Pella 5-3, Indianola 6-4, Hoover 12-11, Knoxville 3-8,

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# UNEXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

*With the help of great skill, attitude and confidence, the varsity baseball team made it to state*



photo by Maria Whipps

After playing against Urbandale in the state tournament, graduate Jason Ceretti recaps the game for the TV 8 news.

*"Jason had a really good year. Up until the last part of the season he had been injured, so when he was able to play again we were better defensively with him behind the plate. He was a great leader for the team. We will really miss his attitude and hard work."*

*~ Jim Mahoney, coach*

Creeping away from first base, junior Chris Dickey tries to steal second during a JV game against Boone. "Offense is one of the most important parts of my game. If I'm having an off day fielding, I try to make a great offensive play to boost my confidence," said Dickey. *photo by Michelle Norton*



## SOPHOMORES/JV

The figures: 19-20/3-15

At the beginning of the season ten boys were moved up from the sophomore team in order to fill in for the lack of players on the junior varsity team. "It was a good learning experience even though it was a losing season, mainly because most of us were sophomores playing against more experienced players," said junior Matt Gaukler. Despite the lack of experience, Coach Jerry Stratton helped the team improve on their basic skills throughout the season.

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 32-7

The freshman team's strong relationship toward each other proved to help them immensely in their performance this season. "Before baseball started many of us had our own cliques, but as the season progressed we learned to respect each other. This respect brought us together as one unit," said sophomore Zac Bronson. The team was extremely excited over its success. "We had a fun schedule and an excellent team," said sophomore Ted Rives.



A sneeze zooms out of your mouth at a speed of over 600 miles per hour.

**Go figure!**



Knoxville 6-6, Norwalk 1-10, Ankeny 2-7, Norwalk 4-13, Boone 1-12, Hoover 6-2, Grinnell 9-4, Winterset 8-13, Roosevelt 8-4, North 2-1, Saydel 4-3, DC Grimes 12-5, SEP 14-25, Denison/Schleswig 3-1, Chariton 9-3, North 4-1, Pella 7-5, North Polk 13-10, **Sub-state:** Ames 3-1, **State:** Urbandale 1-0, Ottumwa 0-7



photo by Sheri Nieting

**A**dam Nieting catches a fly ball at the sub-state game in Ames. Johnston beat the Little Cyclones 3-1.

*"When we heard that we were going to state, I think we were more shocked than anything. We ended up going there as the underdogs. We weren't really supposed to be there, so we weren't that nervous and we didn't really feel much pressure."*

*~ Adam Nieting, '98*



photo by Maria Whipps

**S**triving to beat the ball, Brent Whipps sprints to first base. Whipps was a .400 hitter with 29 RBI's.

*"The coolest thing about this season was the fact that we never gave up. Even though we weren't doing so hot during the middle of the season, we stayed confident and kept fighting. When it finally came down to doing it, we got it done (and made it to state)."*

*~ Brent Whipps, '98*



**D**etermined to strike his opponent out, junior Lance Routson concentrates on his pitch. Routson pitched **18** games for JV, but he usually played outfield. "On my way to centerfield I would run around the infield and give everyone high **fives**. Then I would do a somersault, jump up and give (junior) Chris Ceretti a high **five**," said Routson. *photo by Mish Norton*

**T**aking a swing at the ball, junior Chris Ceretti attempts to help his JV team pull ahead of Boone. "I have a superstition with batting gloves. When I wear them I can hit really well, but without them my hitting isn't as good," said Ceretti. *photo by Michelle Norton*

# when it counts

103	varsity errors in the field
322	varsity hits during the season
158	put outs made by Jason Ceretti, most on varsity
1,181	varsity at bats during the season
48	hits made by Shaun Riley, most on varsity

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# ADMIRABLE PERFORMANCE

*The girls' cross-country team had a successful season and sent **one** runner to state*



photo by Brody Wells

**D**uring the Norwalk meet, Megan Webster takes advantage of the downhills to help extend the team's lead.

*"The team was really fun. Everyone always tried their hardest no matter how hot it was or how many hills there were. The most difficult course for me was Perry because of all the hills, but I run faster on hills, so I got my best time there."*

*~ Megan Webster, '01*

**S**ophomore Mary Mullenix follows the line to the finish. "My favorite course was Johnston's because we had practiced it and I knew it. I didn't like Newton because it was really hilly and I had a bad time on it," said Mullenix, who ran junior varsity. photo by Kate Vocelka



## Coach's quote

*"Everyone worked hard without complaining, which made it a lot of fun to be their coach. We had a large team and great improvement from our younger members with three freshmen on varsity."*

**Craig Oldham**

## JUNIOR VARSITY

The team had one of its best seasons. Along with placing in several meets, **ten** runners received participation awards. "We had a lot of success, and the improvement from our younger runners was exciting," said Coach Craig Oldham. The team placed **second** in **three** meets and came in **first** at the Perry Invitational. "It was really awesome winning at Perry. We worked so hard and it finally paid off," said sophomore Patti Hefner.



**In Oklahoma, it is against the law to get a fish drunk.**

**Go figure!**





photo by Anne Sciorrotta

**S**taying together, Celeste Six and freshman Victoria Brenton encourage each other to keep going strong.

*"After the Johnston meet we went to Saylerville for a barbecue. The coaches told us not to go swimming, but we all jumped in anyway. The water was freezing and we had to put other clothes on over our uniforms so the coaches wouldn't notice, but I think they knew."*

*~ Celeste Six, '98*



photo by Brody Wells

**P**ushing herself, Jacque Timmons overcomes one of the many hills at the Norwalk Invitational.

*"At the Norwalk meet, I was running down a hill and I almost caught up with the golf cart that leads the race. That was my favorite race because it seemed really short and because I won it for JV. I felt like Rita (Fiala, junior) for once because she always wins."*

*~ Jacque Timmons, '00*



**J**unior Rita Fiala leads the pack at Perry. Fiala said, "I love the feeling I get when I am done and I have accomplished my goal." Fiala was the **third** runner from Johnston to reach the state meet. She finished **first** at districts with a time of **11:49** and **fifth** at state with a time of **11:33**.

photo by Kelli Brown

**P**assing the crowd of spectators, JV runner freshman Anna Johnson holds her position. "I like to run and I enjoy having the extra activity after school," said Johnson. "We had a special cheer we recited together before running." The cheer was made up by Mr. Oldham at a practice and has been used ever since.

photo by Brody Wells

## when it counts

- 1** member on the all-state team, Rita Fiala, '99
- 3** freshmen varsity runners
- 2** mile courses during meets, but they have been known to run up to five miles during practice
- 2** Norwalk Invitational championships in a row
- 39** seconds lowered average time from last year by most-improved runner, Cindy Loffler, '99

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## STABLISHING PRESENCE

*Equality between JV/varsity boys' cross-country created unity as they worked to qualify for state*



photo by Michelle Norton

**I**n pain, Wade Hays runs at the state meet. Hays ran the last half of the season with a stress fracture in his foot.

*"I thought it was more important to run in state because I had been working toward this for at least a year, if not longer. I decided I'd rather risk hurting my foot more than saying, 'What would have happened?' 'How would I have done at state?' for the rest of my life."*

*~ Wade Hays, '98*

## when it counts

**11** guys lettered on varsity, the most ever

**140** consecutive days running, the most on the team, by Ryan McGowan, '98 and Matt Skeens, '00

**4** all-conference runners: Wade Hays, '98; Dennis Dane, '99; Jonathan Hardy, '00; Ryan Johnson, '01

**5** guys attended Paavo Running Camp: Ryan McGowan, '98; Wade Hays, '98; Marcus Iwig, '00; Ted Christakos, '00; Matt Skeens, '00

**1st** time team qualified for state in at least the past decade



**C**rossing the finish line, freshman Mike Cameron is clocked by timer Justin Carlson during the Johnston Invitational. Both the JV and varsity won the home meet. "It (cross-country) was harder than in middle school because we had to run a mile more and there was more competition (with other schools)," said Cameron. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**T**urning the corner at the Urbandale Invitational, freshman Ryan Johnson pushes to move up in the pack. Johnson ran consistently in **one** of the **seven** varsity spots and made the all-conference team by finishing in the **top 15** at the conference meet. *photo by Anne Sciorrotta*



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second, Perry Invitational: eighth, Newton Invitational: sixth, Norwalk Invitational: third, **Conference: second, District: third, State: 17th**



photo by Kelli Brown

**R**yan McGowan listens to music as he looks through his motivational logbook before the Urbandale race.

*"I read through my Paavo logbook to get ready for a race because it helps me to keep focused and it makes me think. It keeps my mind in the right state. In order to focus, the coaches at Paavo told us to concentrate on the race and see yourself running in it."*

*~ Ryan McGowan, '98*



photo by Kate Vocolka

**S**ophomore Mike Porter cheers on Jonathan Hardy during the varsity race at the Ballard Invitational.

*"If the JV works harder, varsity has to work harder. If they don't the JV runners will take over the varsity spots. It was better switching the varsity lineup because at the beginning we had guys not in shape. But they got in shape and at the end of the season ended up helping."*

*~ Jonathan Hardy, '00*



**T**urning the wrench, sophomore Marcus Iwig puts in his spikes at the Urbandale meet. Johnston placed **fourth** overall at the **first** meet. Each grade ran in its own individual race to help coaches determine the varsity lineup.  
photo by Kelli Brown

## JUNIOR VARSITY

The JV team's goal was simple, to make varsity. With **seven** varsity spots for **25** guys, Coach Dave Beason said that competition was tough. While the JV runners fought to move to varsity, they experienced success at their level. "The best part of the season was when the JV got **first** place at conference," said junior Brent Loss. "We'd been running hard all season and wanted to show that we still had good runners, even though they were not varsity."

## Coach's quote

*"We ran better times (at conference) than we had all year long. We had runners finish beyond our expectations and we still finished second."*

**Dave Beason**

**One pail of water can produce enough fog to cover 105 square miles to a depth of 50 feet.**

**Go figure!**



Varsity 37-3-3: Valley 3-1, Pella 3-0, Grinnell 3-0, Pella Christian 3-1, Ankeny 3-2, Winterset 3-1, Burlington 2-0, Oskaloosa 2-0, Cedar Rapids Jefferson 1-2, Nevada 2-0, Northeast Hamilton 2-0, Bondurant-Farrar 2-0, North Polk 2-0, Grandview Park Pella Christian 1-1, Marshalltown 2-1, Pella Christian 2-0, Oskaloosa 2-0, Prairie City-Monroe 2-0, Southeast Polk 2-0, Webster City 2-0, Newton 2-0, Prairie City-

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# FULFILLING DESIRES

The team repeated as conference champions, won **three** tournaments and got **second** at state



photo by Nathan Benn

During the state championship game against Davenport North, Lacey Corcoran digs the volleyball.

"(At the state tournament) We had the best time ever and were living life. Our dinners were paid for, we got to stay in hotels, we shopped at Old Navy and we got a chance to play for the state title. I don't think a weekend could get any better than that."

~ Lacey Corcoran, '99

Keeping her eye on the ball, junior Kirstin Frederick serves against Saydel in a JV game. "A good quality we have as a team is that we can have fun and play well at the same time," said Frederick. "We wanted to be undefeated too, but we didn't quite meet that goal." photo by Michelle Collignon



## JUNIOR VARSITY

The figures: 15-11-4

As the year progressed JV gained spirit and started playing better. "At the end of the season I started to see improvement," said Coach Beth Ward. "They (JV) had been striving hard the whole year." Coach Mary VanHeukelom thought the highlight of the season was the Oskaloosa tournament. She felt it was the most positive, all-around performance they had. "Even when people weren't in the game they were encouraging and cheering," agreed Ward.

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 2-7

Due to the large number of girls that went out for the season, Coach Michelle Roquet found it frustrating to please everyone. "I feel at the freshman level the playing time is not equal. The best players work the hardest and play the most," said Roquet. Freshman Girija Mahajan agreed, "The team was mainly split into **two** groups; the ones who knew the plays and wanted to learn more and the people who messed around during practice."



Only 55% of all Americans know that the sun is a star.

**Go figure!**



Boone 3-0, Knoxville 3-0, Norwalk 3-0, Elkader Central 2-0, Cedar Rapids LaSalle 2-0, Baptist 2-0, Ames 2-0, Spencer 2-0, Iowa Falls 1-1, Eldora-New Providence 2-0, Western Christian 1-2, Urbandale 2-1, Fairfield 1-1, North Mahaska 2-0, Monroe 2-0, Oskaloosa 2-0. **Districts:** Boone 3-0, Urbandale 3-0, Council Bluffs Abraham Lincoln 3-2. **State:** Fort Dodge 3-0, Iowa City High 3-1, Davenport North 0-3



photo by Michelle Norton

*"The game against Ankeny was probably the best game of the year. We played well, our intensity was high and our fan support was great. It was a turning point for our team. We realized our potential and knew we could beat any team in the state."*

*~ Heidi Kiester, '98*

**R**ising to slam the ball, Heidi Kiester warms up for the Norwalk match. Kiester led the team with **101** blocks.



photo by Michelle Norton

**S**pikeing the ball, Dana Schultz hits through Knoxville's block. Schultz had **149** kills throughout the season.

*"I'm really going to miss the girls and all the fun we had. The pasta dinners, burping contests and waiting in the freezing cold for the Ballard gym to open are memories I'll never forget. The bonds I made with this team will never be replaced."*

*~ Dana Schultz, '98*

# when it counts

1 <sup>st</sup>	metro team in <b>3A</b> to make it to a state championship game
40	minutes taken to beat Knoxville in <b>three</b> games
150	minutes taken to beat Ankeny in <b>five</b> games
5	games to beat Council Bluffs Abraham Lincoln to win the regional title and advance to state
14,000	sprints to be run by varsity if they missed <b>one</b> more serve against Boone
596	kills made by Lacey Corcoran, '99, the most on the varsity team



**S**eniors Tara Lashley and Jaymie Johnson jump for a block against Wineraset. Lashley and junior Lacey Corcoran were selected for the all-state tournament team. Johnson had **296** kills, **283** digs and **78** blocks throughout the season. photo by Michelle Norton

**B**umping the ball, freshman Cathy Partington assists her team in scoring another point. Partington said, "I like playing volleyball because of the good exercise you get from it." She was voted most improved player by her teammates. photo by Michelle Collignon

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# SIXTH AND SHORT

The **sixth**-rated varsity football team fell short of their goal of winning state after a **first**-round loss



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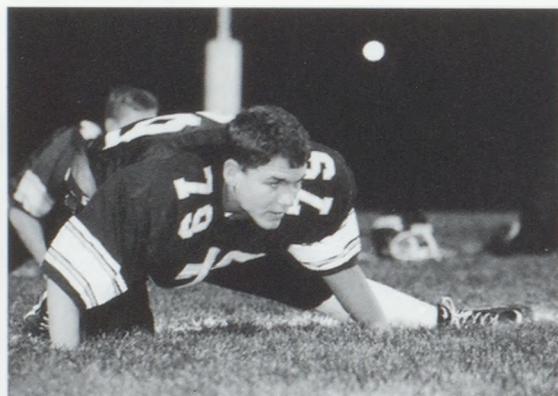
**R**eacting to the last play, quarterback Brad Sewell receives advice from Coach Spence Evans.

"We were all sad after the Grinnell game, not sad that we lost, just that we would never play together again. It was more of a realization than anything. We all cried and told each other that we loved each other. It was special because guys don't usually do stuff like that."

~ Brad Sewell, '98

**S**tretching his inner leg muscles, sophomore Dirk Bushman participates in routine pre-game warm-ups. Bushman was a lineman for the sophomore team and dressed for varsity.

photo by Jen Goode



## SOPHOMORES

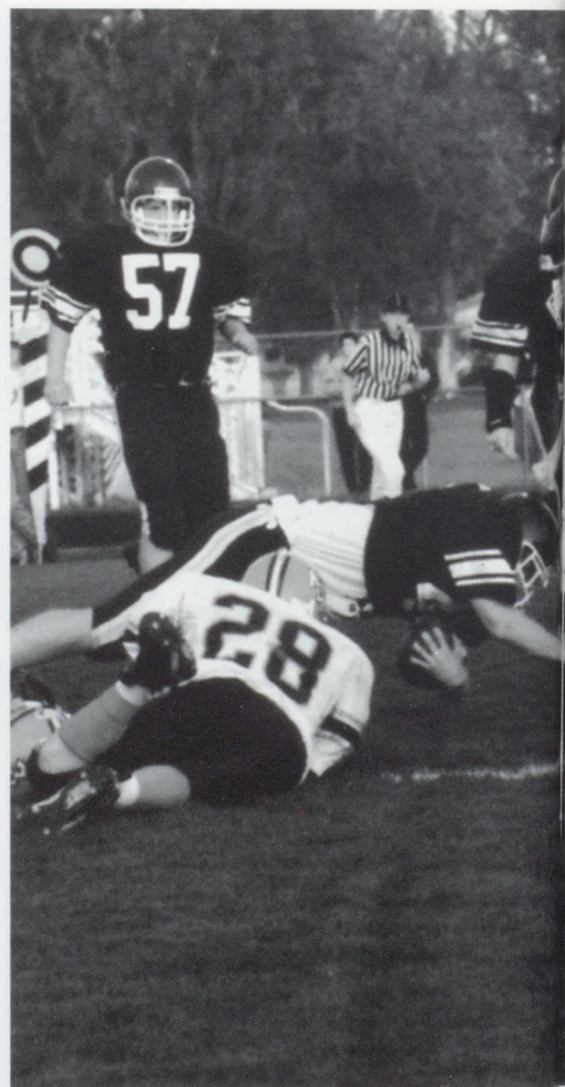
The figures: 5-0

The sophomores started the season with **one** goal, to go undefeated. With only **five** games, **two** of their original **seven** were rained out, the team was able to complete their aspiration. Aside from their success, many members of the team were able to enhance their game and performance by playing JV. "I liked playing in the (JV) games because we got some experience playing at a higher level," said sophomore Matt Herrmann.

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 7-7

As the freshmen prepared to face CIML teams, including Valley and North, they weren't counting on key players watching from the sidelines. "Unfortunately, a lot of our better players got hurt," said freshman Chris Evans. "But we grew as a team because we were depending on everyone." Although struggling with a 3-7 start, the team proceeded to finish the season strong, winning their last **four** games and ending with a .500 record.



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*"The highlight of the season was beating Carroll. We knew it was do or die and that we had to win to go to state, or we were done. I kept reminding everyone that if we didn't win, our careers were over. I think everyone got pumped and wanted the season to keep going."*

*~ Brent Whipps, '98*

**P**ushing the ball down the field, Brent Whipps attempts to score. Whipps had 1,432 rushing yards.



photo by Tammy Jo Walz

**T**ackeling an ADM player, Jed Schmidt stops their offensive drive. Schmidt had 44 solo tackles for the season.

*"The thing I'll remember most from the season is how close our team was. We've played together for so long and worked so hard; I can't believe it's over. I'll also never forget the Carroll game because it was the first time that my dad had ever seen me play."*

*~ Jed Schmidt, '98*



**T**ripped up by an ADM Tiger, freshman Bart Whipps desperately lunges to gain an extra yard in a freshman game. "I knew I had to commit myself to going to the weight room if I wanted to do well on the field," said Whipps. "I also wanted to have a better season than my brother (senior Brent Whipps) did his freshman year." photo by Jen Goode

**A**ttempting to block an extra point, senior Nathan Krofta leaps over the Grinnell and Johnston lines. In addition to playing defense, Krofta was a wide receiver and ran kick and punt returns. He was selected to the all-district team as a defensive back.

photo by Jen Goode

## when it counts

294.9

average total yards per game by the varsity team

2,518

career rushing yards compiled by running back Brent Whipps, '98

73

solo tackles dealt out by inside linebacker Andy Greger, '99

9

varsity players selected to the all-district team, three of them unanimous decisions

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offensive player of the year, Brent Whipps, '98

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defensive player of the year, Adam Foster, '98

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# "A DROP OF WATER"

*Inspired by the poem by Mrs. Broek, the swim team united and sent **seven** swimmers on to state*



photo by Ben Flannery

Helping freshman Sarah Straw in the 500 freestyle, Lindsey Kroeger shows her the number of laps she has left.

"The season started weird, my times at the Blue and White meet were awful, but they got a lot better through the season. This was my **first** competitive season, so I was excited to make it to state. I was scared and nervous because I really didn't want to let them down."

~ Lindsey Kroeger, '01

## when it counts

**15<sup>th</sup>** place finish at the state meet

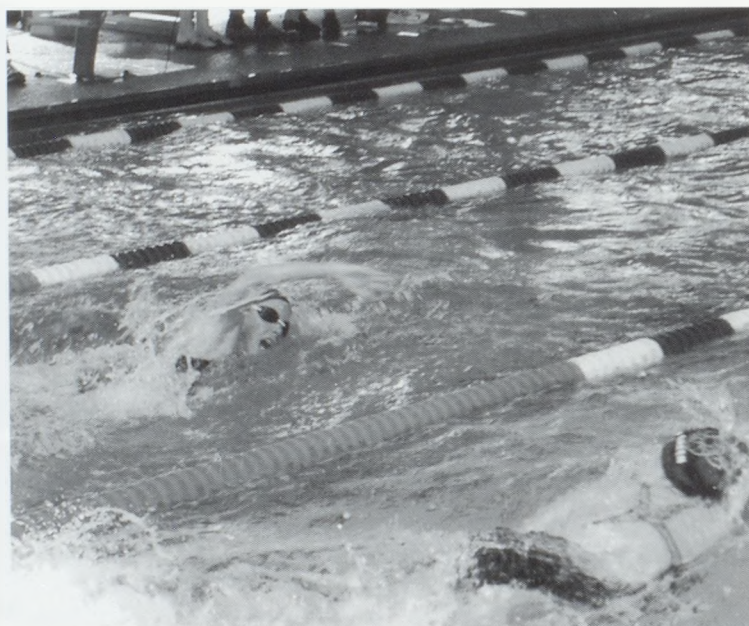
records were broken: **50** and **100** freestyle: Maria Kerr, '00

**3** **200** freestyle relay: Lisa Stradley, '98; Rachel Broek, '98; Lindsey Kroeger, '01 and Kerr

All-American consideration times: **50** freestyle, Kerr, **24.65**

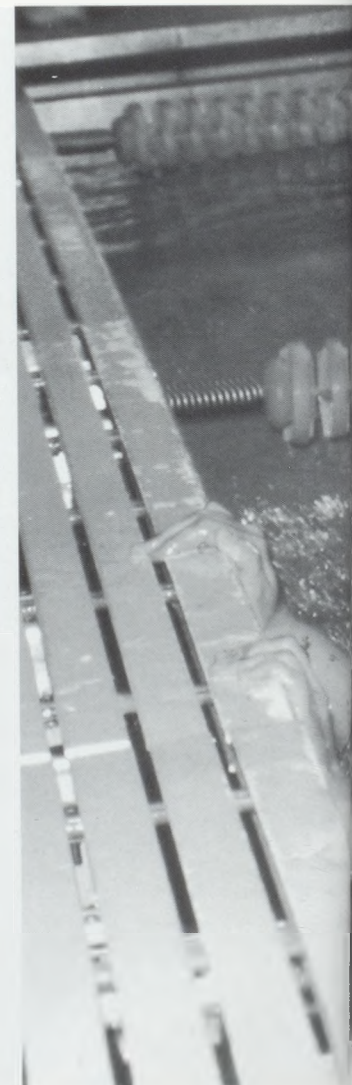
**2** **200** freestyle relay: Stradley, Broek, Kroeger and Kerr, **1:43.62**

**7<sup>th</sup>** ranked team in the state in power rankings



Pulling ahead of her opponent, sophomore Amy Young finishes the last leg of the **200** freestyle relay at the Urbandale Invitational. The team finished in **first** place at the Invitational, which hasn't been accomplished in **five** years. During the meet, Urbandale/Johnston beat higher ranked teams such as Ankeny and Ames. photo by Ben Flannery

Grasping the wall, freshman Sarah Straw finishes her last lap of the breaststroke in the **200** individual medley. Straw finished **sixth** in the **200** IM at districts. "I didn't expect to place at all at districts," said Straw. "I wasn't in the fastest heat but Coach (Shari) Walling did a good job of tapering me for the meet." photo by Ben Flannery



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**P**ushing off the wall, Laura Skow finishes her last lap of the 100 yard breaststroke during the Urbandale Invitational.

*"Overall I think that everyone on the team got their personal best when the season came to an end. Through the season, we had many ups and downs due to the strenuous practices and all the yardage we had. I still believe that in the end it was all worth it."*

*~ Laura Skow, '01*

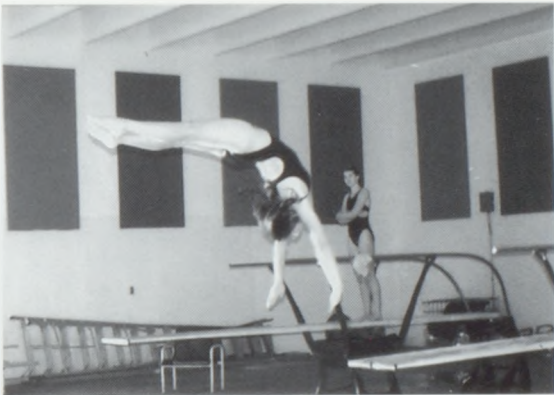
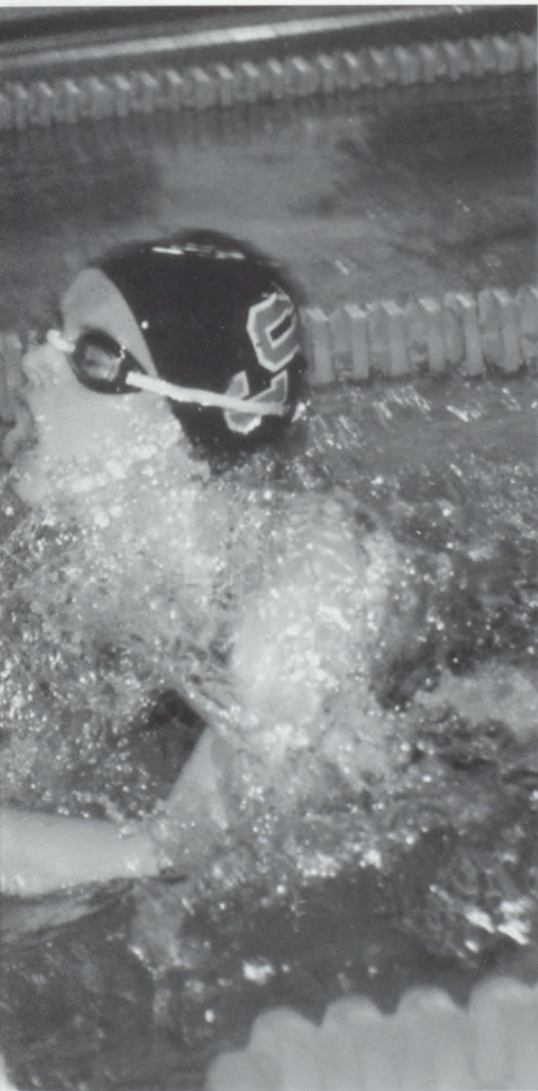


photo by Ben Flannery

**B**efore the Ames meet, the team, led by the seniors in the middle, boosts their intensity level by performing a cheer.

*"Being the team captain and a role model was a rewarding experience. There was a lot of responsibility leading them in everything they did, but it was an honor having them look up to you. It wasn't the greatest feeling knowing that this was my last year."*

*~ Lanie Smith, '98*



**L**aunching herself off the diving board, sophomore Jessi Reece practices before the Ankeny meet. Reece placed **first** and Urbandale divers also took **second** and **third** at the meet. Reece placed **seventh** at districts. *photo by Ben Flannery*

## SWIMMING

The figures: 3-5

Combining their efforts, the Urbandale/Johnston girls worked as a team to achieve **fifth** place at conference, **third** place at districts and **15th** place at state. "We continued the traditions of the Urbandale and Johnston teams," said Coach Shari Walling. "They worked hard and they didn't get too worked up in dual meets. We tried to care more about our times and our personal bests; we didn't just care about the wins. In our final finishing at state we finished above the other CIML teams like Roosevelt and Ames."

## DIVING

Starting the season without a coach, the diving team had a rough beginning with a last minute change of plans by the original coach (Jay Schelin). Mrs. Patti Young volunteered her time and put in many hours to help the diving team as best she could as their assistant coach. "The hardest part was that even though we had a lot of good people come in to help us, we didn't have just **one** coach," said senior Tammy Walz. "We had many coaches telling us their different opinions, so we had trouble perfecting our diving skills for so many different people."

Your right lung takes in more air than your left one does. **Go figure!**



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# HIGHER EXPECTATIONS

*Despite their record, the soccer team achieved a greater quality of play while competing in the CIML*



photo by Michelle Norton

**C**oncentrating on the ball, junior Kendra Reames passes it to a teammate during the Marshalltown game.

*"We lost **three** crucial players on our team from last year, but we gained **two** new girls (juniors Kirsten Fredrick and Jill Emmerich). They filled in spots that we needed and helped the team. We also lost (junior) Laura Oderkirk because she went to Europe."*

*~ Kendra Reames, '99*

**W**hile using her ball handling skills, sophomore Kristi Johnson breaks through her Newton opponents. "We all did well at the Newton game; everyone got a chance to play their best," said Johnson. "Newton scored the first goal for us and after that we killed them." photo by Michelle Norton



## JUNIOR VARSITY

The figures: 3-9

The JV team had a challenging season because of the low number of players. "We only had **11** players; the rest didn't show up for practices or games," said senior Tonya Riley. Their opposition consisted of teams in the CIML conference. "We played Ankeny **four** different times this season just to get more experience," said junior Kirsten Fredrick. "We had close games the **first three** times against them, tying them. On the **fourth** game Coach Dennis Georgen said he would sing all the way home if we lost, and we did."

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 4-1-2

The **ninth** grade team, led by captains Allison Bunce and Stacie Georgen, had a winning season, better than both the JV and varsity teams. **One** of the reasons for the high number of wins was due to the large number of players who went out for the season. "We had good skills and played well together on the freshman team," said sophomore Micaelahr Morrill. "We could have had better communication between each other and the coach, but our team bonded well together and had fun despite the lack of communication."



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no place, Ankeny 1-2, Mason City 10-0, **Conference Invitational:** fourth, Marshalltown 1-0, Newton 1-2



photo by Michelle Norton

**I**n an attempt to advance the ball upfield, sophomore Dawn Warner weaves between two opponents.

*"Some of my (individual) goals this year were to play varsity and start, and I did that. One of our team goals was to have a winning season. We didn't win all of our games, but we played up with teams like Valley who are much bigger than we are."*

*~ Dawn Warner, '00*



photo by Michelle Norton

**O**rdering her teammates to get ready to accept her pass, junior Sarah Meston launches the soccer ball across the field.

*"The Sunday after school got out we still had soccer season going on, so the varsity team camped out on the field in tents because we had 6:30 practice the next morning. We told stories about UFOs, aliens and ghosts and we all got really scared."*

*~ Sarah Meston, '99*



**L**eaping to catch the ball, graduate Lauren Pendergraft successfully stops the attempted goal shot by her opponent. "Even though Lauren only played a couple of seasons, she was talented and determined," said Coach Dennis Georgen. "With her in the goal I had a great deal of confidence in our defense."

*photo by Michelle Norton*

**B**earing down on the ball, junior Cindy Loffler attempts to outrun her Marshalltown opponent during the JV game. "I also ran track during the beginning of the soccer season so I missed the first month of soccer," said Loffler. *photo by Michelle Norton*

## when it counts

19

goals made by Jeny Oderkirk, '99, most on varsity

48

girls went out for the team

27

goals were scored by varsity

16

girls were on the varsity team

2

assists were made, by Jennifer Georgen, '97, most on varsity

**Men with hair on their chests are less likely to get cirrhosis of the liver than bare-chested men.**

**Go figure!**



Varsity: Bobcat/Cardinal Invitational: sixth, Roosevelt/East 152-146-167, Ames Invitational: fourth, Ankeny 162-157, Lincoln 160-156, Mason City Invitational: third,

spread by Megan Stetson and Jennifer White

# INDIVIDUALISM MAKES A TEAM

Strong individual performances helped the golf team place **fifth** in district finals



photo by Jennifer White

**O**n the practice green, Chad Baker attempts to sink a putt before a meet at Jester Park Golf Course.

"My favorite meet was districts because we got to play 18 holes and there was more pressure on us to do well because it was a much bigger event. Senior Nick Parenza and sophomore Miles Kirkpatrick did all right, but they can play better than they did."

~ Chad Baker, '98

## when it counts

**52** guys started out the year, the most ever

**10** schools were beaten by the varsity team

**9** different courses were played on by the varsity team

**22** golfers competed in at least one meet

**7** golfers lettered

**2<sup>nd</sup>** season competing in 4A



**J**unior Matt Reber watches as his practice putt heads toward the hole. Reber and other teammates practiced their putting and their swings before meets. "One bad hole can affect your whole game," said Reber. photo by Jennifer White

**R**eading the green, senior Shawn Heuss lines up his putt. "The weather and the atmosphere were better this season than last. The days were warmer and there wasn't as much rain. The moods of the players were better, which made it easier to get along with people," said Heuss. photo by Nathan Benn



Dr. Seuss pronounced "Seuss" such that it rhymed with rejoice.

**Go figure!**





photo by Nicole Frank

**S**earching through his golf bag, Shane Smith hunts for his golf ball before he begins playing at the Waveland Golf Course.

*"You don't compete entirely as a team, but as individuals. If you mess up in a sport like football, you mess up as a team. In golf, if you mess up, it's on your own account. You still all have to do well as a team to beat the other team, but you do your best as an individual."*

*~ Shane Smith, '98*



photo by Nicole Frank

**M**iles Kirkpatrick walks away from a hole disappointed after recalling his bad drive from a moment before.

*"Golf is a chance to be with about 15 other guys after school. When I play on the golf team with the guys, it's just fun. So I take that attitude with me to the other tournaments that I play in, to just enjoy them and have a good time. It's helped me with my mental game."*

*~ Miles Kirkpatrick, '00*



**O**nlookers watch as junior Adam Straw warms up his swing before he tees off. "At the Ames Invitational, I shot a 36, which was even par. The guy who got first is maybe the best player in the state. We played in the rain and it was my best round of the year," said Straw. photo by Nicole Frank

## JUNIOR VARSITY

Competing in 4A for the second year, the JV team had eight meets. Junior Patrick Midtlyng said, "We got to go to different courses, not just Jester. This year there were a lot of home meets. Last year, we went to several different places for meets, which helped us learn to play smart." Some of the places they played at included Jester Park, Beaver Run and Boone. Members didn't have a set team because they tried out to see where they stood before each meet.

## Coach's quote

*"We won about half of our meets, and we finished in the upper half of the teams during districts. We did about the same as last year, but we continued to win more meets this season. I think the golfers improved their skills and scores and they had fun."*

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# MORE THAN JUST CHEERING

*Cheerleaders supported the players at games and meets and placed **third** at state*

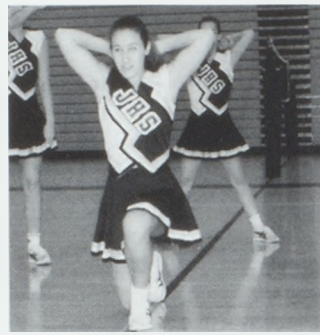


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**F**ootball cheerleader Lindsay Hansen performs a routine at a pep assembly during school.

*"I was a football and basketball cheerleader. I liked cheering for football better because there were too many basketball games. There were almost **four** games a week and in football there was only **one**. We got to do more things, like compete, during the football season."*

*~ Lindsay Hansen, '99*

**S**enior Shauna Sleep and juniors Amy Palmer and Alyssa Andrews cheer at a pep assembly. The **three** were football cheerleaders. Andrews was also on the squad for the basketball season. *photo by Megan Stetson*



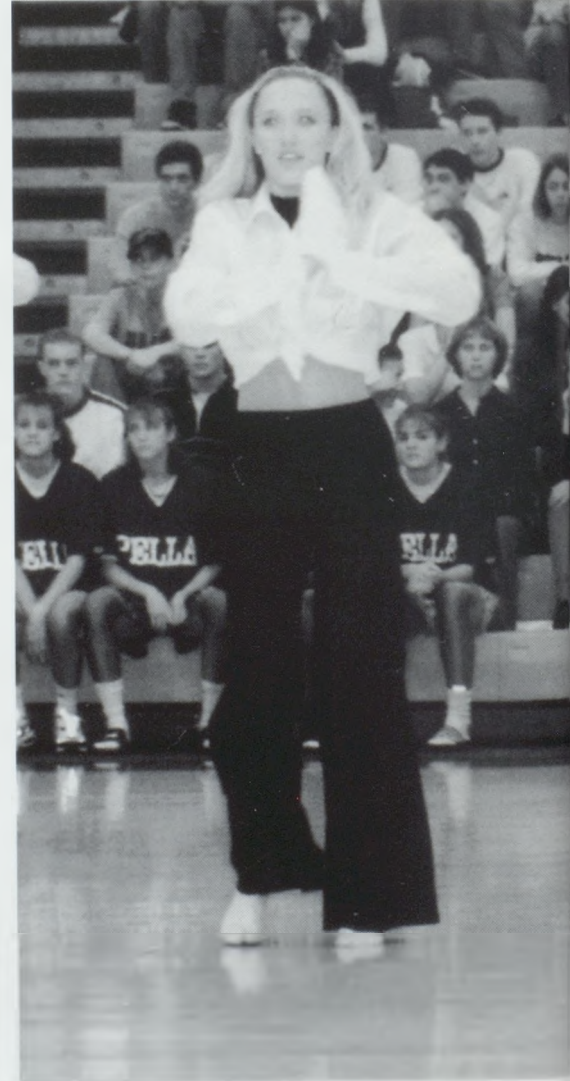
## Coach's quote

*"Every (cheerleading) season has its challenges and the squads handle them well. There are only **two** coaches and **eight** squads in the winter, which causes communication difficulties and time problems, but the girls take on responsibilities themselves."*

**Shelly Pflughaupt**

## DANZ TEAM

The Danz Team was more involved than in the past. Coach Sonya Goodrich said, "They're the ones who always want to practice as much as we do. They're the ones who wanted to do more competitions." They performed at almost all of the varsity home football and basketball games and went to more competitions. Sophomore Andee Jo Houle said, "We had more opportunities to perform. It gave us a chance to do more of what we like to do."



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**B**etween matches at a home wrestling meet, Emily Feaster prepares to cheer while at the top of a pyramid.

*"If the game is boring or the team is winning by a lot, then (spectators) can watch the cheerleaders or they can watch them during halftime for something to do. When we cheer, it gets the crowd into the game and the players can tell, which helps them get into it."*

*~ Emily Feaster, '00*

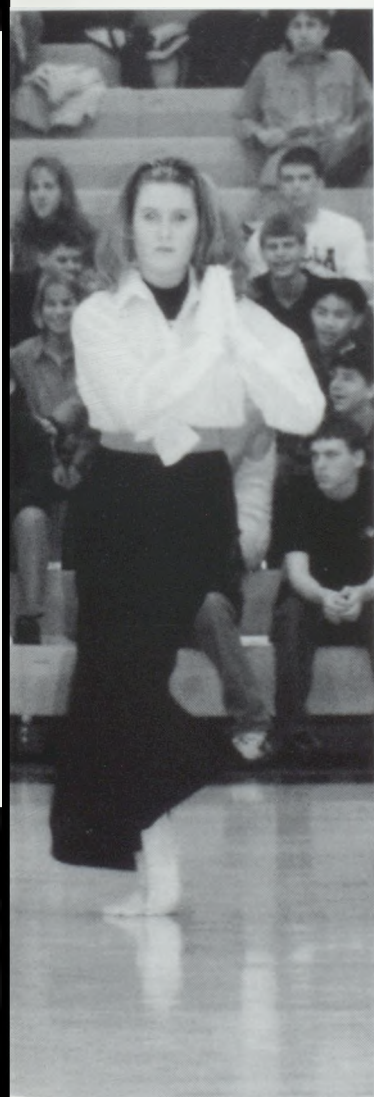


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**E**mily Meyer cheers to the crowd at a home varsity boys' basketball game between the third and fourth quarters.

*"It was fun getting ready for state because I had never been to it before. We did our routine really well, but it wasn't very difficult, which is why I think we only got **third** place. We didn't have a choreographer, and just about all of the other schools did. We did it all on our own."*

*~ Emily Meyer, '99*



**A**t a home basketball game, senior Marcia Mattern and junior Marie Bunce perform at a varsity boys' basketball game to their Prince song. "We started out (the year) with a lot of people without dance background. They improved a lot though and that helped our team in competition," said Bunce. *photo by Megan Stetson*

**D**ancing at a basketball game, seniors Jessica Leiendecker and Melissa Mattern smile at the fans during halftime. "It was different than past squads because there was a unity. Everyone was really close the whole season and we never really had a conflict," said Leiendecker. *photo by Megan Stetson*

## when it counts

**16** girls were picked to be on the Danz Team out of the **30** girls that tried out for the spots

**7** different routines were choreographed and danced to by the Danz Team

**86** meets and games were cheered at by the varsity cheerleaders

**6** varsity cheerleaders were on the basketball and football squads. Only **one** cheerleader was on the wrestling and football squads

**1st** time for varsity football cheerleaders to go to state

Barbie's measurements if she were life size would be **39-23-33**.

**Go figure!**



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# SEVENTH HEAVEN

The team finished **seventh** at state and held the **seventh** ranked **200** meter freestyle relay in the nation

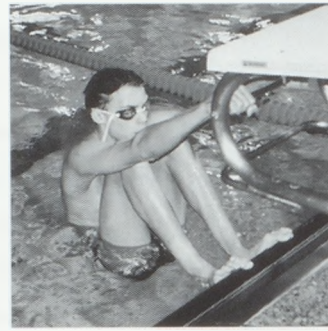


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Waiting for the signal to start, Matt Kroeger grasps the block before beginning his 100 meter backstroke.

"Being on the winning 200 freestyle relay and swimming at state was an overwhelming experience because it was my first year on the team. I was proud of the way I swam under the circumstances, even though I would have liked to have done a little better."

~ Matt Kroeger, '99

## when it counts

107.5

points earned by the team at the state meet in Iowa City

26

inch swimsuit for Ben Flannery, '00, to fit his 32 inch waist at the state meet

11,000

yards of freestyle < 440 lengths of the pool > swam by Grant Mand-sager, '00, in one day

34

out of 36 personal records or bests at districts

70.64

seconds dropped as a team for the year



Emerging from the water to take a breath, sophomore Adam Graff nears the end of his 100 meter breaststroke at the Urbandale Inv. Graff finished with a time of 1:15.21. He had his best time at the district meet with 1:14.36. photo by Jen Goode

Sophomore Jason Kohles focuses on his lane while awaiting the start of his race. Kohles swam in many events throughout the year including the 100 meter freestyle, 100 meter backstroke and the 200 meter individual medley. photo by Michelle Norton



Circus clowns have a "face registry" to prevent other clowns from plagiarizing their faces.

**Go figure!**



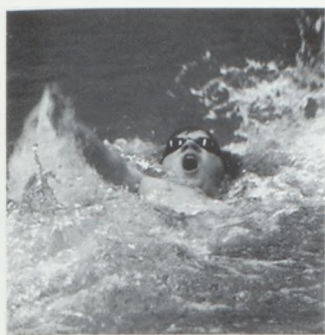


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**B**en Flannery pushes through the water in the backstroke leg of his individual medley at the Valley meet.

*"Toward the end of the season and before districts and state, our team finally started to come together. Even though we were usually swimming for individual spots and times, we still came out on top in the end because we worked as a cohesive unit."*

*~ Ben Flannery, '00*



photo by Jen Goode

**A**fter placing sixth in the 200 meter freestyle, Dennis Dane eyes his medal from the district meet.

*"One of the things I remember most is beating Dowling in the 400 freestyle relay at districts; I knew they were really good and we hadn't beaten them in awhile. The other is swimming at state because of the atmosphere and how hard my adrenaline was pumping."*

*~ Dennis Dane, '99*



**S**hout words of encouragement, sophomores Grant Mandsager and Adam Graff and junior Jay Johnson (Urb.) motivate sophomore Ben Flannery. "When you know people are cheering you on and supporting you, it gives you the motivation you need," said Mandsager.

photo by Michelle Norton

## SWIMMING

After receiving the 1997 state qualifying times and the All-American time standards at the first practice, the team began working toward sending as many swimmers to state as possible. They swam strong at districts and sent seven swimmers to state. "We wanted to finish in the top five and score more than 100 points at state," said Coach Shari Walling. "We didn't finish as high because the points were so spread out, but everyone at state had lifetime bests."

## Coach's quote

*"It takes a strong person to get up at 5:30 in the morning and drive to Urbandale, and then come back after school to compete on an 'Urbandale' team. The level of dedication required in swimming isn't for every athlete."*

**Shari Walling**



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# CLOSE ENCOUNTER

The team made history with the most games ever won, but fell **one** game short of advancing to state



photo by Michelle Norton

After checking into the score table, Kellie Greiner waits to enter the game. Greiner finished the season with 135 points.

"There were **two** seconds left and I knew I wouldn't have time to drive. I had to shoot from the baseline. I looked, threw it up and prayed it would go in. After it did I thought we tied Hoover. Then everyone came running to me. I knew we won districts. It was awesome."

~ Kellie Greiner, '98

## when it counts

1,472

total offensive points scored by varsity

1,182

total defensive points allowed by varsity

490

total points scored by Lacey Corcoran, '99, the most on varsity; her game high was 35 points

158

total rebounds by Jaymie Johnson, '98, the most on varsity

23

three-point shots made by Sarah Batchelder, '98, the most on varsity

5

steals by Kelly Clarkson, '98, in one game, the most on varsity



Fighting for a loose ball during a **tenth** grade game against Grinnell, sophomore Monica Inge and freshman Maggie Tews try to gain possession of the ball. "I like getting on the ground," said Inge. "I know I'm hustling when I get floor burns." The sophomore team finished the season 13-7. photo by Michelle Norton

Being the hoop, sophomore Melissa Ward shoots the ball against Grinnell during a **tenth** grade game. "We had a shortage of players," said Ward. "We had to work together to fill the positions we had lost the year before." photo by Michelle Norton

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photo by Michelle Norton

**I**n the key, Kelly Clarkson makes a jump shot during a game against Pella. Clarkson scored 353 total points for the season.

*"This was the farthest any team has gone. The substate game against Lincoln was the best because the stands were packed and the crowd was really into it. It was disappointing not to advance to the state tournament, but we still had a great year."*

*~ Kelly Clarkson, '98*



photo by Michelle Norton

**S**hauna Sleep plays defense against a Boone player while senior Sarah Batchelder aligns herself.

*"I felt that my role, when I went into the game, was to go in and play hard for the time I was there. I felt defense was my strength in basketball, and I utilized it when I went in. (Coach Justin) Carlson put me in when he needed to put pressure on the guards and get steals."*

*~ Shauna Sleep, '98*



**W**atching the game, freshmen Tara McGowan, Sarah Kiester, Chaundra Smith, Lindsey Kroeger and Sarah Smith cool off before going back in. "We were killing East," said McGowan. "Our goal was to get 50 points. Once we did the people on the bench stood up for the rest of the game." photo by Mish Norton

## JUNIOR VARSITY

The figures: 3-3

The team only had six games, which affected their performance. "This hurt us because we didn't know what the other teams would do, we weren't prepared for game situations and we weren't mentally prepared," said junior Wendy Dennis. Among other disadvantages during the season was a lack of unity within the team. "We weren't quite a team. We would just show up for a game here or there," said junior Kirsten Frederick.

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 14-3

Coach Rick Brooks said the team came into the season with less confidence, but by the end of the season they weren't expecting to lose when they played. In the middle of the season freshman Maggie Tews moved up and the rest of the team picked up the slack. "We had depended on her for a lot of key things," said freshman Jami Shackelford. "We had to work a lot more as a team to cover the areas she contributed to." They finished as conference champions.



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spread by Anne Sciorrotta

# PROVING THEIR WORTH

*Driven for recognition, varsity pushed for **ten** conference wins, tying **second** with Pella Christian*



photo by Michelle Norton

**K**yle Mertz attempts a two-point jump shot over the Knoxville opponent. Mertz had a game-high 23 points.

*"Our record was 4-5 and no one believed in us. We used that as motivation to come together and play really well. The Ankeny game we won in overtime was a real turning point. We proved ourselves when we started beating good teams and advanced in sub-state."*

*~ Kyle Mertz, '00*

## when it counts

**1** player made the **second** team all-conference. Kyle Mertz, '00

**14** **three-point** shots against Mason City, the highest number in the season. Only **12 two-point** shots were made

**60** fouls in the game against Norwalk, but it was the highest scoring game of the season

**15** minutes was the length of time it took to clean the floor in the sub-state final game against Urbandale. The janitors decided to clean it after the **first** quarter of the game



**R**eaching around the Winterset opponent, Jeff Robertson, '00, attempts to steal the ball in the sophomore game. "As a team we lost Andy Sundblad, Kyle Mertz and Quinn Sypniewski and still had a winning season. We each stepped up our game and played the best we could to overcome what we lost." *photo by Anne Sciorrotta*

**H**ands in the air, sophomore Quinn Sypniewski makes sure not to foul Urbandale's Spencer Black. Varsity played Urbandale in the sub-state final game, losing **41-50**. "Our goal for the game was to win, but we fell short," said Sypniewski. "We were expecting it to come to us; we didn't go out and get it." *photo by Anne Sciorrotta*







photo by Michelle Norton

**C**hris Dickey defends against Norwalk's Joe Richardson. Dickey compiled **12 steals** and **24 assists** in the season.

*"Beating Pella was **one** of our biggest accomplishments because they were number **one** in the state at that time. We were playing really well and we knew ourselves that we could beat them. When we won we proved to others that we could play against anyone."*

*~ Chris Dickey, '99*



photo by Kelli Brown

**J**ed Schmidt struggles to gain possession. The win over Mason City, **69-47**, advanced varsity to sub-state semifinals.

*"We had a lot of young members on the team, and I had a big role. Since a lot of the starters were going to be here next year I wanted to set a good example of what a captain should be like. I wasn't a star player, so I decided to be a good role model on and off the court."*

*~ Jed Schmidt, '98*



**A**fter stealing the ball from the Norwalk opponent, freshman Jared Haag begins to advance up-court. The Gold team lost to Norwalk **40-69**, and ended with a **16-3** final record. *photo by Kelli Brown*

## **SOPHOMORES**

The figures: **10-9**

After losing **three** players to varsity, the team set **two** goals: they wanted to prepare for the **4A** competition they would soon have to face and to win more games than they lost. They accomplished both. "Our best game was against Pella," said Coach Tom Rea. "They had beaten us earlier in the season, and we had just lost our leading scorer (Brenden Huewe) to an injury in the first quarter. We pulled it together as a team and beat Pella by **four** points."

## **FRESHMEN**

The figures: **34-4**

At the beginning of the season the freshmen met to set goals. They strived to win **90** percent of their games and all of their home games. They also were determined to beat Urbandale, a team that they had never beaten before. Each goal set was accomplished in full after they beat Urbandale **58-46**. "I was proud of the team because they played well together," said Coach Joel Rankin. "They didn't care who got the credit. They were a very unselfish team."

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# O VERCOMING INEXPERIENCE

*Despite the young members and lack of experience, the team worked hard to develop skills and status*

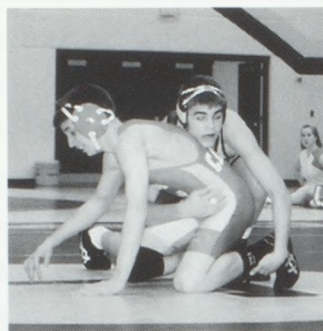


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**G**rabbing the ankle of his competitor, freshman Jon Lewton gets ready to finalize his takedown.

*"The team was completely different from teams I've wrestled on in middle school. We were more of a team and there were definite leaders, like (seniors) Derek Kim and Chad Baker. They really set an example for me and the other freshmen on the team."*

*~ Jon Lewton, '01*

## when it counts

2

team captains, Derek Kim and Chad Baker, '98

95

total pins made by the team

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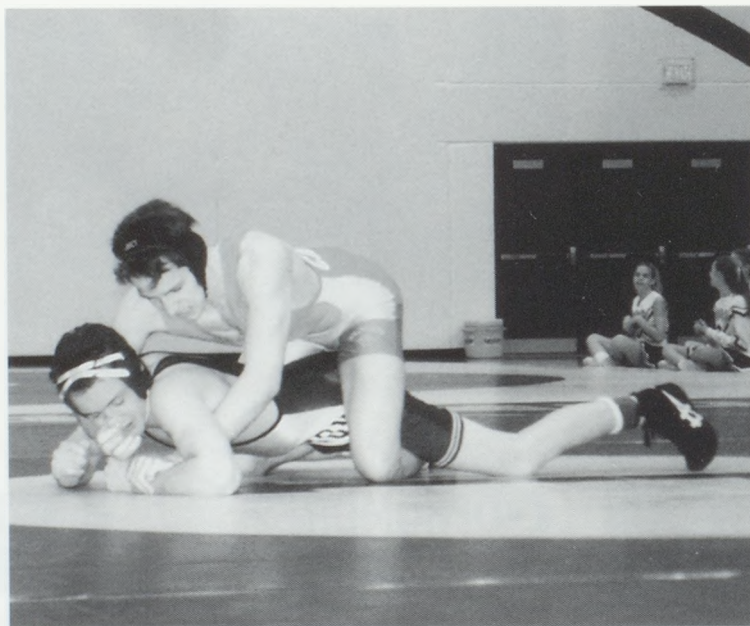
varsity wrestlers made it to state: Chad Baker, '98, at 140 pounds; Aaron Madison, '01, at 112 pounds and Cody Lowman, '00, at 103 pounds

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win for Coach Frank Baltzley during the Lincoln Duals on January 31

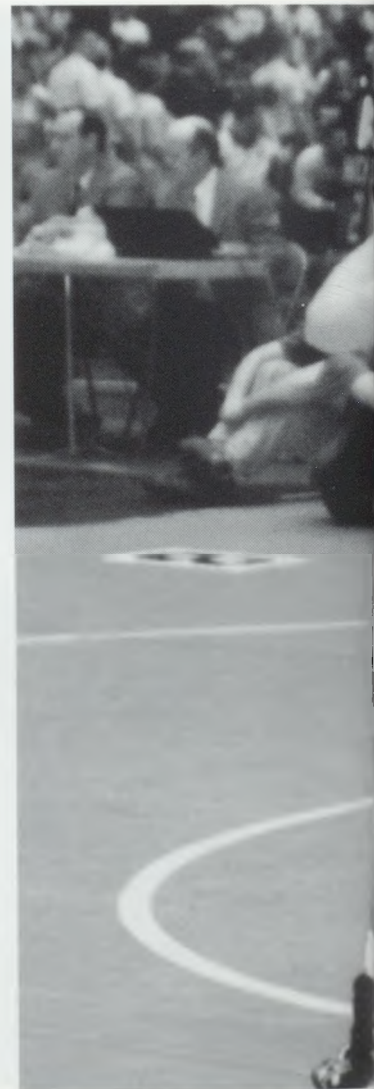
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seconds was the fastest pin, made by Cody Lowman, '00



**W**orking his hardest to take the upperhand in his match, sophomore Dan Logue grimaces in the arms of his opponent. Logue wrestled at 130 pounds and finished the season with six pins and 30 takedowns. *photo by Alycia Comer*

**S**urging toward his competitor, senior Chad Baker focuses on a takedown during his state quarter-final match against Austin Coufal of Cedar Rapids Prairie. Baker led the team with 81 takedowns and 24 three-point nearfalls. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*



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**C**oncentrating on his next move, sophomore Jason Wheeler prepares to change position beneath his opponent.

*"The team improved a lot from last year. I think it was mostly because we had a lot more experience and we were more familiar with what we were doing. We knew what to expect from the coaches and the other teams that we had to compete against."*

*~ Jason Wheeler, '00*

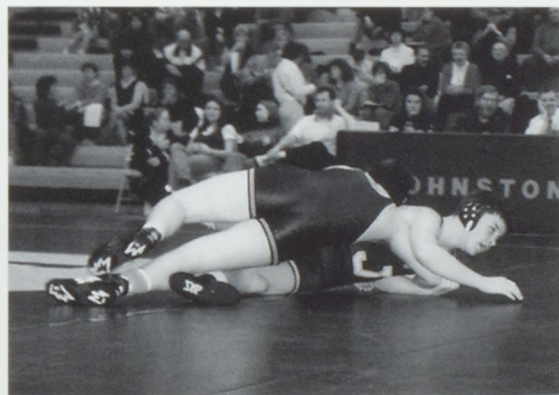
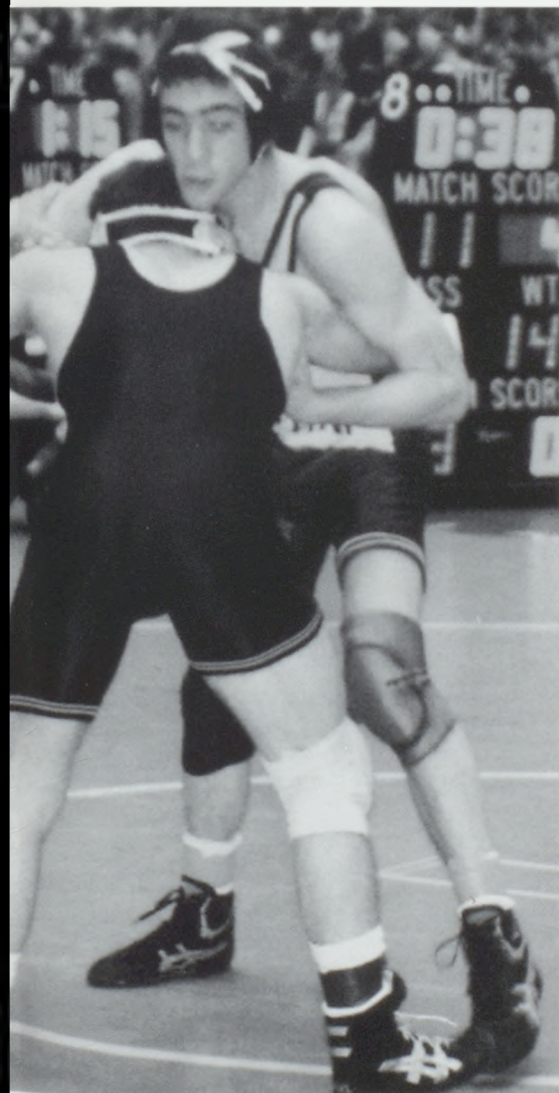


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**C**hecking the time left in his match, freshman Aaron Madison secures his hold on his opponent from Carlisle.

*"I was really excited about making state my freshman year, because I remember watching my brother down on the mats wrestling. But this time I got to see the tournament in a different way. I was the **one** competing and seeing the experience through my own eyes."*

*~ Aaron Madison, '01*



**A**s he rolls out of the grasp of Pella's Jordan Van Kampen, freshman Kris Campbell struggles to gain the advantage. The team went on to beat Pella for the **first** time in **two** years. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

## JUNIOR VARSITY

The team found mentality made the difference. Although they would've liked to have had better records, they learned to develop skills for the future. Sophomore Louis Friestad said, "I was better as an individual this year, because I had a better outlook and mental toughness. The coaches (Jerry Stratton and Robb Boley) taught us to think about the match and how things were going to turn out." The experiences gained through understanding how mentality plays a role in competition helped the team learn new skills.

## Coach's quote

*"The team was young this year, but they still competed against the best teams in the state. We have a lot of wrestlers who are starting to develop championship skills and they will continue to do so if they develop strength through conditioning."*

**Frank Baltzley**

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Varsity: Willow Creek: fourth, Urbandale Invitational: ninth, Boone: fourth, Ankeny: first, Norwalk Invitational: fourth, Jester Park: third,

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# LESS IS MORE

*A smaller team, due to no freshmen or new players, worked as an advantage*

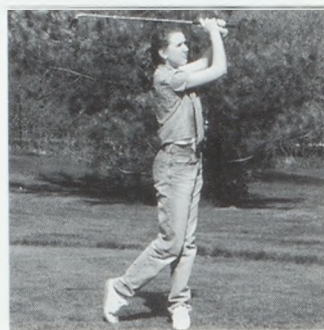


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**F**inishing her tee shot on the fifth hole, Melissa Miller concentrates on where her ball is going to land.

*"I liked having a smaller team this year. It gave other people and me a chance to play more often. It was kind of bad because we were inexperienced since we lost a lot of seniors last year, but it created less competition among us for the top spots."*

*~ Melissa Miller, '00*

## when it counts

**153** holes were played during meets this season

**6** girls had their score count in at least **one** varsity meet

**10** girls were on the team compared to **16** the past year

**8** golfers played in **one** or more varsity meets

**6** players lettered: Erin Derby, '99; Sharon Ehm, '98; Tara Lashley, '98; Amy Martens, '98; Melissa Miller, '00 and Jodi Peitzman, '98



**J**unior Sara Madison putts during practice. Madison said, "My goal for the season was just to play on varsity because I didn't get to play on varsity last year." Madison competed in **three** varsity meets. *photo by Megan Stetson*

**U**sing a sand rake, sophomore Jenna Peitzman pushes the balls off the practice green. Peitzman said, "I improved some this year. I was always hitting to the left, but now I don't. I payed more attention during practice." *photo by Megan Stetson*



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**T**ara Lashley follows through on a chip shot. Lashley was the team's only varsity player to return for this season.

*"We lost **four** of our top **five** players so the JV players had to step up and take their places. There were no high expectations for us and so there wasn't as much pressure for us to **do well**. The coach was a lot more relaxed. We did better than I thought we would."*

*~ Tara Lashley, '98*



photo by Megan Stetson

**W**atching her ball move toward the hole, Sharon Ehm practices on the par **three** course at Jester Park.

*"With a smaller team, each of us played a bigger part for the team. It put more pressure on each of us personally because the way all of us played affected the whole team. It meant more playing time and more meets to play in than was expected before."*

*~ Sharon Ehm '98*



**B**eginning her backswing, sophomore Erin Hansen practices at Jester Park. "I improved because I concentrated more on the game. We worked a lot on our putting and chipping during practices," said Hansen. *photo by Megan Stetson*

## JUNIOR VARSITY

There wasn't **one** set JV team. Since the team was smaller, there were always different people playing for JV and varsity. There were also no meets where just the JV played.

Sophomore Jenna Peitzman thought they had a better season as a team. She said, "We all worked together well and we had more fun than last year. People were getting better and that made it more fun since last year it took us forever to get through **one** hole."

## Coach's quote

*"We made some pretty good progress. We started with some people who hadn't played much. We started shooting in the **220's** and the last few meets we shot below **200**. We got a little better every week."*

**Steve Smith**



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# D

## RIVEN BY MEMORIES

*Varsity dedicated their season to former teammate Chad Pembroke and used it as motivation*



photo by Kelli Brown

**A**dvancing the ball past his Marshalltown opponents, Jon Foley prepares to take a shot at the goal.

*"We wanted to remember Chad (Pembroke) so we wore black armbands. He was a big part of our team and we wanted to have him on our minds as we played. I thought of him before every game, and (senior Eric) Peterson said he wanted to score a goal for him each game."*

*~ Jon Foley, '99*

### when it counts

**48** total goals scored by varsity

**255** total shots on goal by varsity; Eric Peterson, '98, led the team in both scores and attempts, with **18** shots made out of **66** attempts

**118** total varsity saves made by the goal keepers: Tyler Jacobsen, '98; Travis Anderson, '00 and Royce Van Roekel, '01

**27** goals scored by varsity's opponents

**5** times varsity played in overtime or shoot-out games, prevailing **twice**



**F**ighting to prevent a steal, junior Ben Wissink sweeps the ball around his Urbandale opponent during the district semifinals. Urbandale defeated the Dragons, after scoring **two** goals late in the **second** half, **3-1**.  
photo by Kelli Brown

**F**reshman Josh Schonhorst dribbles the ball around his Marshalltown defender during the freshman game. Schonhorst was **one** of several freshmen who also got junior varsity experience. photo by Kelli Brown



Humans are more likely to be bit by a mosquito after eating bananas.

**Go figure!**





photo by Kelli Brown

**D**uring practice, Jason Milburn is challenged by sophomore Adam Graaf while senior Matt Chatham waits for a drop.

*"JV and varsity scrimmaged against each other at least **once** a week. It helped a lot because with JV they got a better chance to play with people above their skill level. With varsity they got to relax and play more possession of the ball and play smarter as a team."*

*~ Jason Milburn, '98*

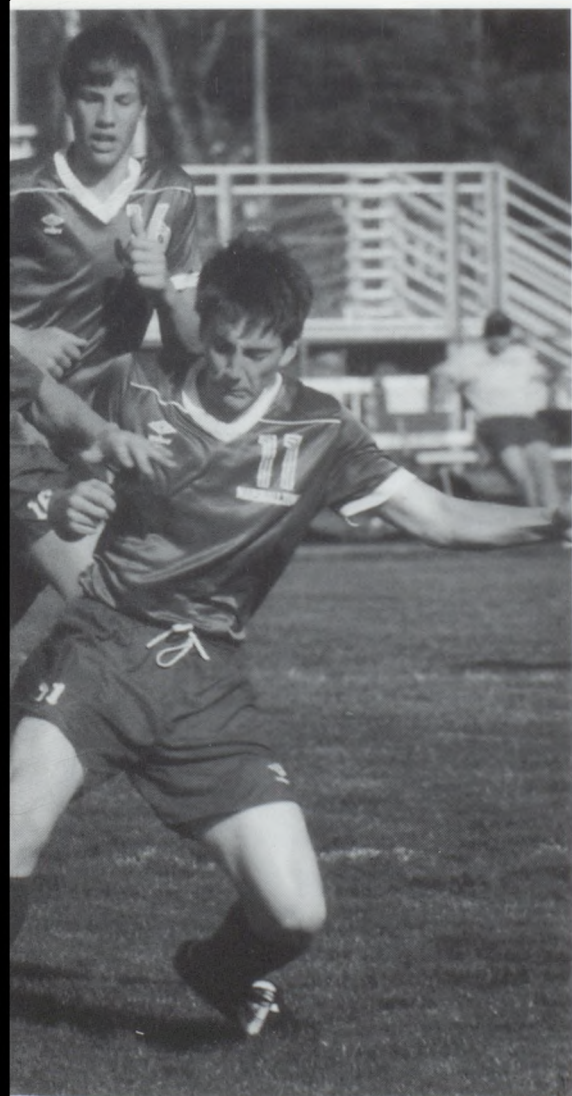


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**A**t halftime of the JV game, varsity player Nic Scherer warms up for the upcoming varsity game.

*"To win the **first** district game (senior Jon) Swane-pool dribbled the ball up and centered it to me. It was a nice pass and all I had to do was put it in. The score was 0-0 and there was only **one** minute left. Coach (Robb) Boley would have killed me if I would have missed it."*

*~ Nic Scherer, '00*



**O**n an offensive break away from his Roosevelt opponent, senior Jared Clark starts the ball up field. Clark was **one** of **seven** seniors who played on the junior varsity team. *photo by Kelli Brown*

## JUNIOR VARSITY

The figures: 8-4-1

Battling the normal unfamiliarity among the JV players proved to be difficult for the team, but they learned to work together. Sophomore Eric Fritz said **one** of the main problems was that there were many players from different grades. "We didn't work that well as a team, but we did decent," Fritz said. "Since we were so spread out throughout the grades not everybody knew everybody else's skills. It was harder to work fluidly."

## FRESHMEN

The figures: 6-4

Even though the team didn't meet their goal of being undefeated, they would have been ranked in the top **three** in CIML freshman standings according to Coach Brian Lewis. Freshman Curtis Dillon said the most disappointing aspect of the season was losing both of their games against Urbandale. "The **first** time we went in overconfident," Dillon said. "The **second**, we fixed our old mistakes but made new ones. It was kind of a good thing and a bad thing."



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# ALRIGHT, GOOD TIMES

*Fun was encouraged as the girls' tennis team improved their record and won the Knoxville Invitational*



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**C**aptain Tammy Walz hits a backhand to return a shot from the back court. Walz played tennis for **four** years.

*"This season was such an improvement from last year. We had **eight** of our **ten** varsity players return and we were able to practice a lot over the summer. We knew what was expected this time around and we had some experience to know what was ahead of us."*

*~ Tammy Walz, '98*

## when it counts

**43** girls played for the entire season; **60** started

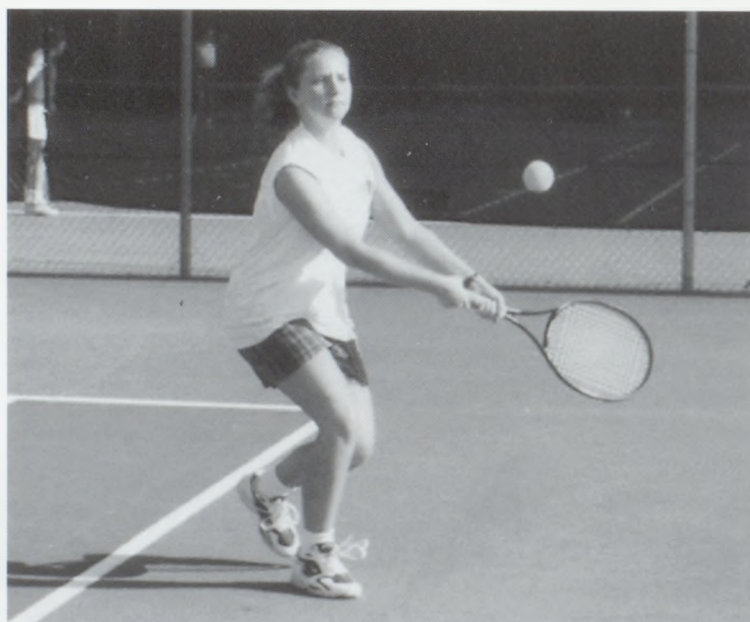
**2** times the fire alarm in the school went off during the district meet

**0** meets got canceled due to weather

**2** individual winners at the Knoxville Invitational: Anne Sciorrotta, '98, singles; Tammy Walz, '98, and Jill Palensky, '99, doubles

**5** girls suffered from injuries throughout the season

**6** girls participated in the conference and district meets



**R**eaching for a shot, junior Andrea Bean works on her backhand before her doubles match against Boone. This was Bean's **third** year playing doubles for the JV team. *photo by Kate Vocelka*

**U**sing her forehand, sophomore Amanda Midkiff aims across the court in her match against Indianola. Midkiff played the number **one** position for the majority of the season. She and her doubles partner, junior Sarah Morris, had a record of **8-6**. *photo by Nathan Benn*



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tional: first, North: 7-4, Norwalk: 5-6, Ames: 0-11, Boone: 2-9, Conference: fifth, Districts: Valley 0-9



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**W**arming up her serve, Kelly Wilges hits the ball to her opponent from Pella Christian. Johnston won the meet 7-4.

*"This season was a lot of fun because I got to play with (junior) Wendy Dennis. By the end of the season, I knew what she was going to do before she did it and she knew what I was going to do before I did it, too. We could read each other's minds, which made it more fun."*

*~ Kelly Wilges, '99*



photo by Kate Vocelka

**P**laying out the point, Molly Langwith hits the ball. Langwith's partner was the other freshman on varsity, Laura Skow.

*"Being on varsity was fun because we got to meet a lot of upperclassmen, but we had to hold our own so we didn't get moved down since we were freshmen. Also, because we didn't have much experience, we weren't used to playing so many games when it was so hot at conference."*

*~ Molly Langwith, '01*



**W**atching a match, juniors Jessica Henning and Tyelene Cervetti peer out of Henning's tent. When the weather was bad, Henning brought the tent as a shelter from the possible wind and rain. photo by Kate Vocelka

## JUNIOR VARSITY

**The figures: 7-3**

The team had to make adjustments with many players, but they also enjoyed success. For everyone to play in some meets, the girls had to rotate. Sophomore Bailey Hufford said, "I felt like I didn't get to play in many meets and I feel that you need that experience to get better." Despite the rotations, they had a winning record. "In the first meet, no one lost and most of us got to play," said junior Sadie Braune. "We had a good start and a successful season."

## Coach's quote

*"The large number of girls on the team was nice to have because it gave us more variety and made the competition greater for the varsity spots. It made it hard for me to make the line-up, but I think it forced people to get better."*

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# MERGING TOGETHER

The team concentrated on unity and, in turn, placed **second** at the conference meet

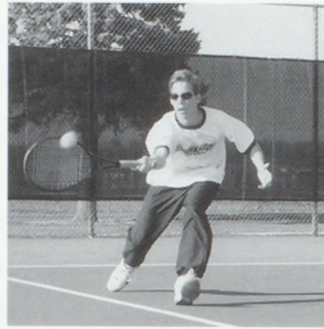


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Varsity player Andy Johnson hits his forehand. He had a 7-4 doubles record at the number five position.

"This year was really different from last year since we worked together as a team. It wasn't like we were told to play that way, we just wanted it that way. Throughout the season, it became our goal to support **one** another instead of just playing for ourselves."

~ Andy Johnson, '99

## when it counts

**2nd** place: Andy Briggs and Andy Verlengia at the East Doubles Tournament

**1st** time in the school's history: Ryan Kirkpatrick won a singles and doubles match at Boone

**760** average minutes the varsity team spent on the bus during the season

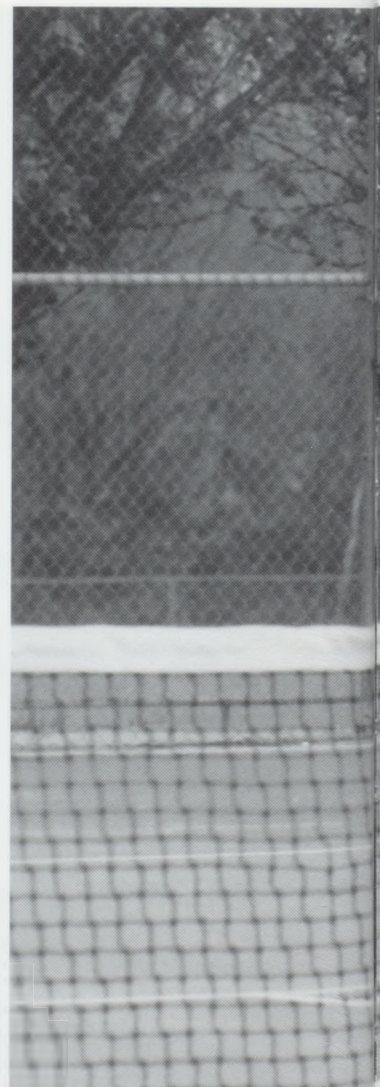
**2nd** place at Conference: Jon Martin, '98; Adam Nieting, '98; John Fiala, '00; Andy Briggs, '99; Nate Butzen, '99 and Ryan Kirkpatrick, '98

**3** average bottles of sports drink drunk per meet by each varsity player



Showing his jumping skills, sophomore JV player Ryan Karloff hits his forehand. "My goal for this season was to improve my serving from last year, which I did. People even asked if I took lessons over the summer since I was so much better, but I hadn't," said Karloff. photo by Nicole Frank

Returning a serve from a Norwalk opponent, senior Jon Martin hits a tight forehand. After improving during the summer by teaching lessons, Martin played number **one** singles and doubles the whole season. He finished **third** in career match wins, compiling a 40-32 record over **three** years. photo by Kate Vocolka



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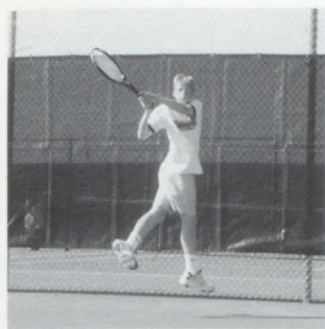


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**J**ohn Fiala returns a topspin lob with his backhand during a match with Knoxville. The team won the meet 6-5.

*"Out of all the matches I played, my best game was probably my match against **one** of the Boone players. Johnston has only won **three** singles matches against Boone in history, so I was really excited to add to that number. I played like I had nothing to lose."*

*~ John Fiala, '00*

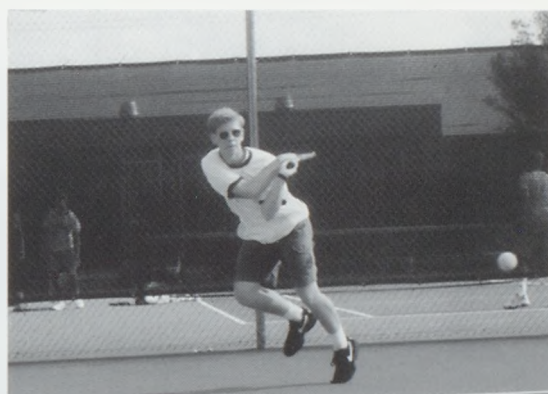
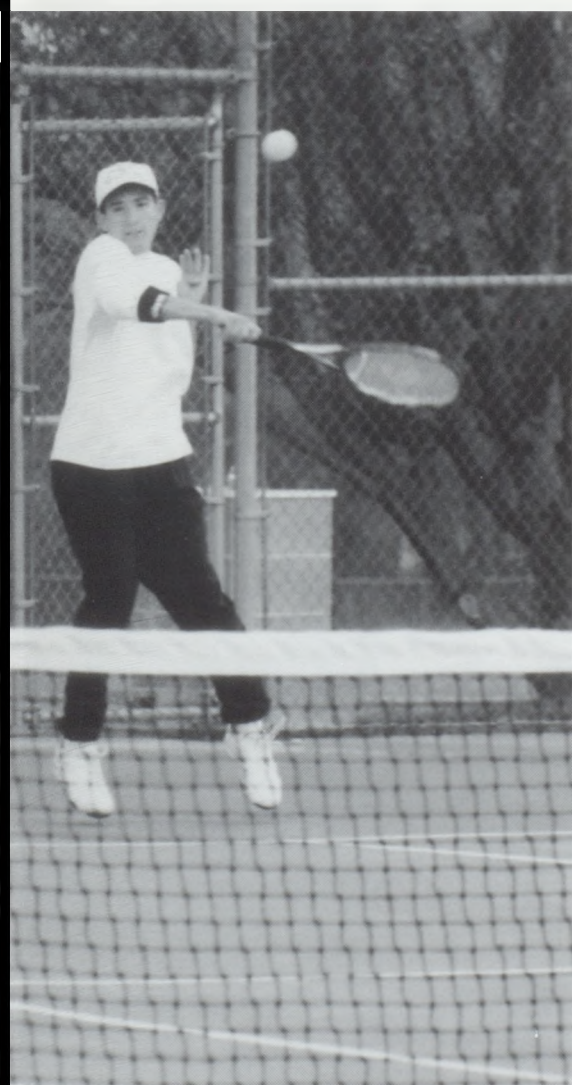


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**B**attling the sun, Cory Briggs hits a forehand. Briggs played doubles with junior Andy Johnson.

*"I wanted to letter really bad this year. I saw it coming after the **first** half of the season. Because I hit harder ground strokes, was better at the net and Andy Johnson was a great doubles partner, I was able to actually get a letter this year as opposed to not getting **one** last year."*

*~ Cory Briggs, '00*



**A**fter racing to the ball, junior Ryan Burnley follows through. "I never wore my class ring during games because of bad luck. My suspicion started when I was going to hit a backhand and the ball hit my ring, causing me to lose a match," said Burnley. *photo by Nicole Frank*

## JUNIOR VARSITY

On top of their main goal to win as many matches as possible, the JV team strove to unify their individual roles into a team. Under the coaching of Ms. Leslie Shipp, the team found ways to support each other through the season. "We usually stayed for the whole varsity meet, and they did the same for us. There was a huge sense of team unity. The bus rides brought us all together more than anything," said sophomore Jacob Strohmman.

## Coach's quote

*"Trash-talk-Tuesday became a tradition. It all started when John Fiala jokingly trash-talked Andy Verlengia's mom. Not always being serious helped us survive the weeks we had four meets."*

**Leslie Shipp**



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# WORKING AS ONE

*Togetherness and support from the JV/varsity helped back up the **nine** state participants*



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**F**reshman Kristin Way runs the **third** leg of the 4x800 meter relay. Way also ran the 400 meter and the 400 meter hurdles.

*"My favorite race is the 4x800 because it's not too short and it's not too long. I like running the **third** leg because the **first** leg and the last leg are too much pressure. Our goal was to make it to state and we did. We had to beat the time of **10:15.**"*

*~ Kristin Way, '01*

## when it counts

**2<sup>nd</sup>** place at the Little Hawkeye Conference

girls made it to the state meet: Sarah Kiester, '01; Sarah Smith, '01; Kristen Way, '01; Amy Young, '00; Lacey Corcoran, '99; Rita Fiala, '99; Cindy Loffler, '99; Kelly Clarkson, '98 and Heidi Kiester, '98

**15** track meets including pre-season, junior varsity, varsity, districts and state

**2** school records were broken at state by Fiala: **3,000** meter run, **10:24.23**, and **1,500** meter run, **4:45.41**



**T**aking off, sophomore Kelly Anderson starts the 100 meter hurdles for JV. Anderson also ran the 400 hurdles and the 4x100 for JV and the shuttle hurdles for varsity. *photo by Michelle Norton*

**H**eadling toward the finish line, senior Heidi Kiester tries to beat out her Winterset rival Brooke Christenson. Kiester qualified for state in the 100 meter hurdles where she placed 17th overall. *photo by Alycia R. Comer*

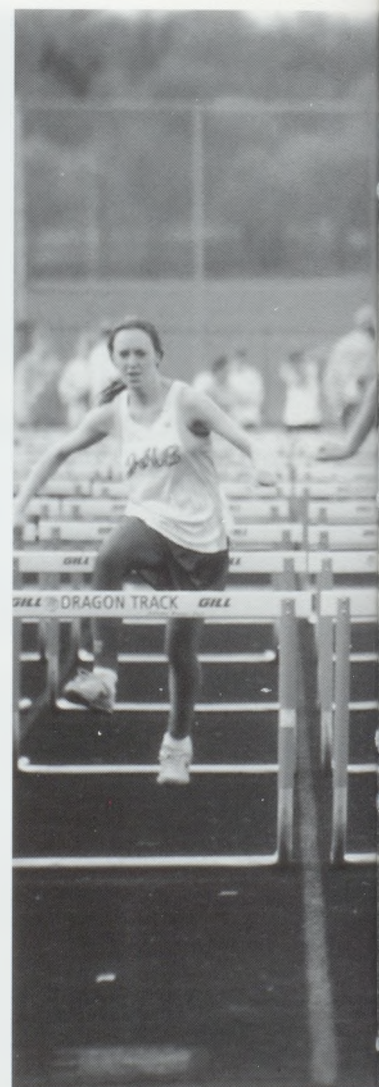






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"We (Lacey Corcoran, Sarah Kiester and Heidi Kiester) made state in the distance medley relay. We got our best time in districts with **4:20**. I think overall we all did really well. Last year I wasn't as nervous as this year because this year I had to start."

~ Amy Young, '00



photo by Michelle Norton

**J**unior Karolina Czerwinski runs the shuttle hurdle. Czerwinski also ran the **100** and **400** meter hurdles.

"Everyone's goal was to go to state. As the year went on I lost the motivation to go and started to get involved in many different things. I think I could have done better since track wasn't my **first** priority. You could see it in my times, but there is always next year."

~ Karolina Czerwinski, '99



**P**ushing her body over the bar, freshman Kari Boscaljon tries not to hit it. Boscaljon came during spring break at the start of indoor season. She competed only in the JV field events.  
photo by Alycia Comer

## JUNIOR VARSITY

Unlike other sports the JV team has never been segregated from the varsity. "We all practice together," said freshman Laura Warren. "We're **one** big happy family. There's no separation between us, and we all recognize each others' achievements. The varsity backs up the JV and the JV backs up the varsity." The only time the team went their own ways was when individuals would practice on their own events such as the running or the field events.

## Coach's quote

"The varsity had an excellent year. There were **five** school records broken in the distance running. We won many invitationals and placed **second** at others. We also placed **second** in the Little Hawkeye Conference."

**Craig Oldham**



Varsity: ISU Indoor Invitational: no score, Marshalltown  
Hoover Invitational: fourth, Urbandale Invitational: third, Roosevelt Invitational: fourth, Urbandale Invitational: fourth.

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# B

## ATTILING INJURIES

*With key runners hurt, the team still sent **seven** people to state and won the Little Hawkeye Conference*



photo by Michelle Norton

**H**eaving the shot put, sophomore Ted Rives attempts to out throw his opponents at the Johnston Invitational.

*"Having some of our team leaders get hurt at the beginning of the season got us down in spirits. It was really good that we had underclassmen step up and perform at a higher level. Even though we had star runners injured, we had enough team depth to make up for them."*

*~ Ted Rives, '00*

**W**arming up for the open 100, sophomore Canyon Atwood practices his starts as sophomore Scott Vermulm holds his blocks. "I run track to stay in shape and get ready for baseball," said Atwood. *photo by Michelle Norton*



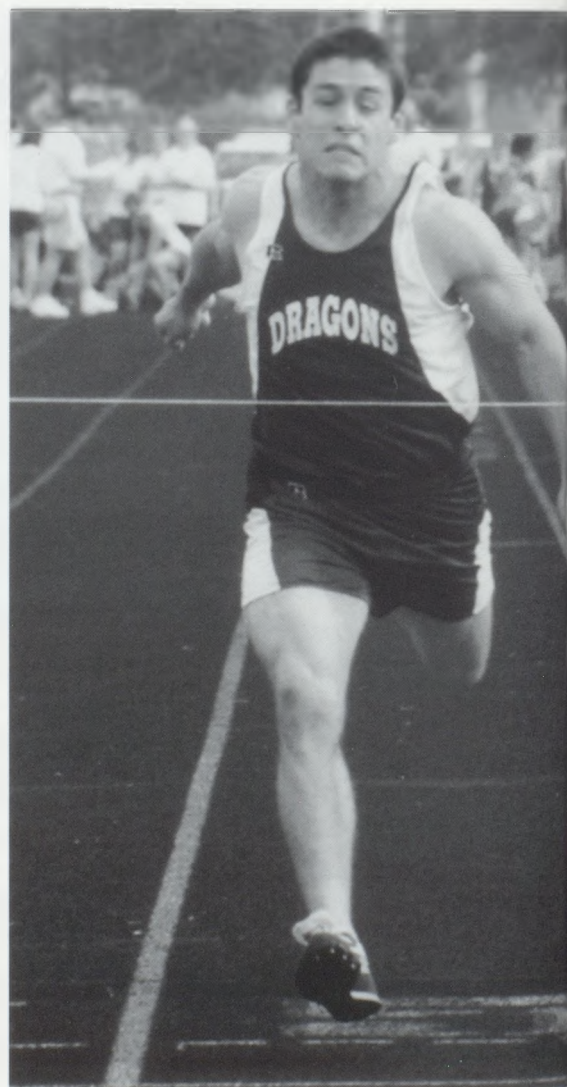
## Coach's quote

*"I think this group is a much closer knit group than kids in the past. I can tell by the way they hang around each other and push each other during practice. They are really competitive with each other."*

**George Sypniewski**

## FRESHMEN/SOPHOMORES

"We goofed around a lot. A couple times during practice we ran from the school to (freshman) Chris Goode's house, stopped for about 15 minutes then ran back," said freshman Matt O'Hollearn. Even though they messed around, they placed **first** at the Grinnell and Boone meets. "It was a great accomplishment for the team to win the Boone meet," said sophomore Mike Porter." It was the **first** time in the school's history for the freshmen/sophomores to win it.



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Invitational: eighth, East Invitational: fourth

Johnston Invitational: no score, Carlisle Invitational: first, Boone Invitational: third, Johnston Invitational: second, Little Hawkeye Conference: first, State: 28th



photo by Michelle Norton

**S**ophomore E. J. Runyan starts the wheelchair 100. Runyan broke state records in the 200 and 800.

*"I do not have much competition, so I basically race against the clock for times. When I race against other wheelchair athletes with different disabilities, it does not really matter if I win or lose the race because I am going for my personal best times."*

*~ E.J. Runyan, '00*



photo by Michelle Norton

**F**lying through the air, sophomore Jeff French leaps into the sand pit. French's farthest jump was 18'7".

*"We were running fart-licks in the hallways during an inside practice. I was behind (seniors) Nathan Krofta and Brent Whipps and their wind took the door off the magnet. I didn't have time to get out of the way and ran into the door. I got three stitches on my shin."*

*~ Jeff French, '00*



**A**t the Little Hawkeye Conference meet, junior Dan Armstrong leans into the finish line of the varsity open 100. "I didn't know conference was that big of a deal until we won and all our guys went crazy," said Armstrong. "Afterward the team took a victory lap and sang 'What's Love Got to do With It' by Tina Turner." photo by Michelle Norton

**S**triding on the backstretch, freshmen Curtis Brown and Jared Haag compete in the JV 400 hurdles. Brown held the freshman record in the 400 hurdles with a time of 62.78 seconds. "We did pretty well (as a freshman team) with as few people that we had," said Brown. photo by Michelle Norton

## when it counts

people qualified for state: E.J. Runyan, '00, placed first in the wheelchair 100, 200, 800 and discus; Nathan Krofta, '98, ran the 110 high hurdles and placed sixth in the high jump; Quinn Sypniewski, '00, placed fifth in the discus; John Good, '99, qualified in the 400 low hurdles; and the 4x800 team of Shane Foster, '99, Good, Ryan McGowan, '98, and Wade Hays, '98, qualified

school records broken: discus, Sypniewski, 157.9 inches; 400 low hurdles, Good, 55.44 seconds; high jump, Krofta, 6'6.5"; and Runyan in the 100, 17'3.5", 200, 34.98, 800, 2:26.24, and discus, 71'3.5"

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**VARSITY SOFTBALL**



Heidi Kiester, Sarah Nichols, Kyla Kiester, Kellie Barney, Kelly Sloan, Lacey Corcoran.  
ROW 2. Alycia Comer, Rachel Bryant, Dana Schultz, Kelly Clarkson, Jeny Oderkirk.  
ROW 3. Coach Gary Snyder, Kelli Brown, Kate Vocolka, Shauna Sleep, Shelby Sleep,  
Coach Jerry Kiester.

**GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY**



Randi Goodrich, Rita Fiala, Nicole Frank, Kate Vocolka, Celeste Six, Megan Webster,  
Lindsey Brumback. ROW 2. Cindy Loffler, Jessica Smeltzer, Lindsey Griggs, Lisette  
Cabrera, Leslie Griggs, Kristin Way, Sarah Martin, Jacque Timmons, Kelly Anderson.  
ROW 3. Angela Jennings, Amanda Sellers, Karolina Czerwinski, Elizabeth Andrews  
Anna Johnson, Victoria Brenton, Mary Mullinix, Patti Hefner, Coach Craig Oldham.

**JV SOFTBALL**



Shauna Sleep, Shelby Sleep, Monica Inge, Melissa Ward, Nicki Thies, Shelly Jones.  
ROW 2. Leah Hoffschneider, Kate Vocolka, Kelli Brown, Jessica Henning, Anne Waller,  
Libby Heitbrink. ROW 3. Coach Gary Snyder, Alycia Comer, Natalie Grimm, Kim  
Bjornson, Jeny Oderkirk, Rachel Bryant, Coach Jerry Kiester.

**BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY**



Brad Paul, Mike Porter, Chris Goode, Jonathon Hardy, Marcus Iwig, John Fiala, Damian  
Ingersoll. ROW 2. Nick Munoz, Spencer Wise, Ryan Johnson, Mike Cameron, Ky  
Carlson, Chris Uchytel, Ted ChOristakos. ROW 3. Wade Hays, Ryan McGowan, Jason  
Brehmer, Ryan Helps, Matt Skeen, Brent Loss, John Good, Manager Andy Ryerson,  
Coach Dave Beason.

**VARSITY BASEBALL**



Brent Whipps, Shaun Riley, Tim Hartschen, Jason Timmons, Derek Kim, Nick Baker.  
ROW 2. Dan Sundblad, John Tyrrel, Adam Nieting, Nick Parenza, Mark Oiler, Brad  
Sewell, Jason Ceretti, Shawn Heuss.

**BOYS' GOLF**

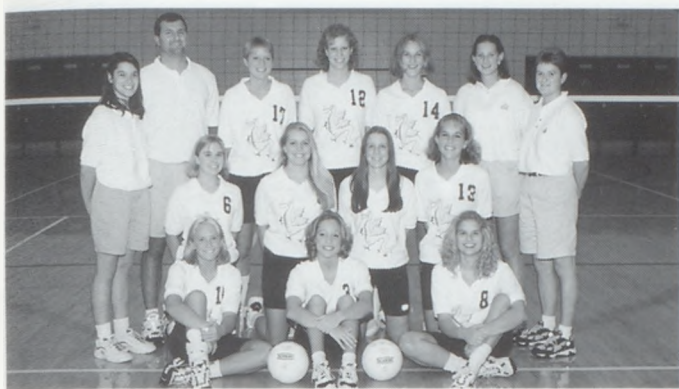


Coach Tim Nakojima, Matt Donaldson, Shawn Heuss, Chad Baker. ROW 2. John  
Gibbs, Shane Smith, Adam Straw, Miles Kirkpatrick, Justin Grissom, Coach Frank  
Sanders. ROW 3. Matt Reber, Matt Kroeger, Nick Parenza, Reggie Burke.



The Brooklyn Dodgers were originally named the Trolley Dodgers because people had to "dodge" the trolleys in the streets.

**Go Figure!**



**VARSITY VOLLEYBALL**

Jeny Oderkirk, Tara Lashley, Dana Schultz. ROW 2. Laura Oderkirk, Shelly Nissen, Michelle Norton, Lacey Corcoran. ROW 3. Coach Mary VanHeukelom, Coach Rick Brooks, Heidi Kiester, Jaymie Johnson, Katie Weisz, Coach Michelle Roquet, Coach Beth Ward.



**VARSITY FOOTBALL**

Nick Touch, Dan Armstrong, Eric Scheuchl, Adam Foster, Brent Whips, Nate Lamb. ROW 2. Rod Serbus, Seth Elliott, Jared Clark, Manager Megan Evans, Tom Zackary, Manger Sarah Schnotala, Chris Ceretti, Dan Johnson, Josh Wells. ROW 3. Tim Walker, Coach Bob Greene, Coach Fritz Keeling, Coach Ralph Young, Coach Ted Christenson, Coach Gary Auxier, Coach Spence Evans, Coach Mark Mulenthaler, Coach Jeff Hawkins, Coach Ed Terhune, Rusty Clifford. ROW 4. Bill Tiernan, Luke Milbrandt, J.J. Pugh, Lance Routson, Andy Willson, Shane Foster, Zack Parsons, John Heth, Brad Sewell, Troy Hansen. ROW 5. Bryan Collins, Brad Schwartz, Jed Schmidt, Dan Whitten, Pat O'Hollearn, Nate Lynch, Troy Trobaugh, Adam Nieting, Eric Peterson. ROW 6. Dan Thompson, Andy Creger, Shawn Larson, Nathan Krofta, Chuck Terhune, Kevin Burpee, Chad Larson, Andy Vis.



**JV VOLLEYBALL**

Anne Waller, Erin Derby. ROW 2. Amie Bobst, Melissa Ward, Sara Madison, Michelle Norton, Kirsten Frederick, Kendra Reames. ROW 3. Monica Inge, Ashley Bengard, Coach Mary VanHeukelom, Coach Beth Ward, Coach Renee Den Beste, Kim Elsham, Sarah Morris.



**SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL**

Chris Lanpher, Jermaine Johnson, Jason Wheeler, Tony Lamb. ROW 2. Jeremy Van Oort, Brian Burpee, Coach Bob Greene, Coach Ed Terhune, Coach Spence Evans, Coach Mark Mulenthaler, Adam Twedt, Michael Raes. ROW 3. Brady Jacobsen, Zach Bronson, Joe Townsend, Joel Jacobs, Jeff French, Ben Lawyer, Canyon Atwood. ROW 4. Jacob Reichling, Chris Piper, Ted Rives, Damon Myers, Brenden Huewe, Scott VerMum, Barret Tucker, Matt Herrmann. ROW 5. Nick Bass, Joel Beary, Adam Tillman, Quinn Sypniewski, Adam Walz, Brandon Ream, Dirk Bushman.



**FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL**

Tiffany Shelby, Haley Wheeler. ROW 2. Ellen Schoville, Sarah Kiester, Rhonda Cosgriff, Michelle Fergesen, Sarah Skinner, Marcy Green. ROW 3. Cathy Partington, Heather King, Sara Bjornson, Valerie Lewis, Shannon Pirtle, Chrissy Golightly. ROW 4. Coach Michelle Roquet, Girija Mahajan, Tara McGowan, Maggie Tews, Jami Shackelford, Sarah Smith, Margaret Nelson, Coach Dave Wadle.



**FRESHMAN FOOTBALL**

Dan Lewis, Justin Serbus, Manager Shannon McLaughlin, Coach Jerry Stratton, Coach Frank Baltzley, Coach Craig Kruger, Manager Ally Mass, Manger Sara Fisher, Ryan Meredith, Matt Baker. ROW 2. Royce Van Roekel, Tim Martinson, Kris Campbell, Jon Lewton, Jared Haag, Curtis Dillan, Matt O'Hollearn, Nick Kraft, Abel Daluga. ROW 3. Rob Burnett, Troy Peterson, Bart Whips, Jeremy Bacino, James Willems, Aaron Meyer, David Schnotala, Nick Hansen, Nick Dell. ROW 4. Chris Biles, Chris Evans, Chris Hansen, Chris O'Hollearn, Phil Quimby, Van Holmgren, Marc Munoz, Nathan Fry.

The New York Nets, now the New Jersey Nets, were named to rhyme with the Mets and the Jets.

**Go Figure!**



**VARSITY GIRLS' SOCCER**



Sarah Meston, Lauren Pendergraft, Millie Smith. ROW 2. Sara Hill, Jill Emmerick, Jennifer Meek, Julia Bartmann, Dawn Warner, Melissa Mattern. ROW 3. Maria Brown, Laura Oderkirk, Jeny Oderkirk, Coach Dennis Georgen, Jennifer Georgen, Julie Heffling, Manager Kevin Anderson, Margo McCravy, Kendra Reames, Marcia Mattern.

**GIRLS' SWIMMING/ DIVING**



Nicole Weirich, Melissa Schroeder, Sarah Straw, Laura Skow, Chelsea Hughes, Kendra Landsberger, Candice Sanchez, Robin Randolph, Stephanie Peters, Jamie Lee, Jessica White. ROW 2. Amy Young, Dania Schuler, Rachel Davis, Shelly Sheldahl, Tylene Cervetti, Nicole Blackman, Lindsey Kroeger, Lacey Schmidt, Kim Holt, Jody Kopp, Jesse Reece. ROW 3. Lisa Stradley, Lanie Smith, Tammy Walz, Brandel Broek, Maria Kerr, Michelle Perpich, Daisy Lemke, Jenny Finnerty, Lyna Milbrandt.

**JV GIRLS' SOCCER**



Cindy Loffler, Kate McNerny, Stacie Georgen, Kaitlin Rainwater. ROW 2. Allison Bunce, Megan Nyberg, Christina DeHamer, Andrea Helin, Kirsten Fredrick, Julia Bartmann, Theresa Timmons. ROW 3. Pamela Thomas, Lisa Oviatt, Amy Young, Micaeliah Morrill.

**BOYS' SWIMMING**



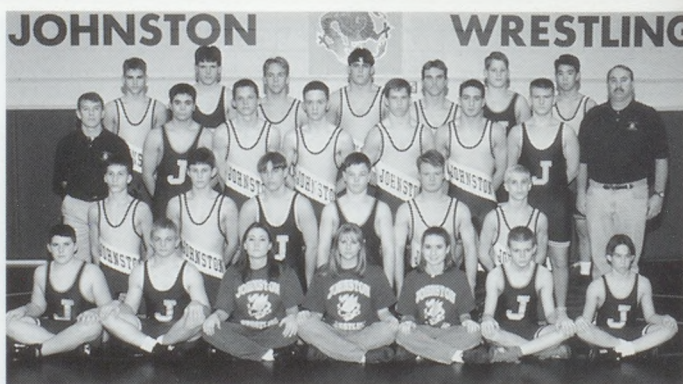
Scott Chinn, Jarod Carl, Jay Johnson, Matt Kroeger, Kevin Galvin, Dennis Dane, Rory Flynn. ROW 2. Steve Udelhofen, Ben Flannery, Adam Graff, Mike Hicklin, John Hicklin, Jason Kohles, Grant Mandsager, Chris Bentzinger, Doug Owen, Adam Perpich, Joe Rittgers, Ryan McGowan, Jared Jablonski.

**FRESHMAN GIRLS' SOCCER**



Kate McNerny, Stacie Georgen, Kristi Johnson, Rachel Cervetti. ROW 2. Megan Nyberg, Lisa Doudna, Stephanie Nyberg, Kristi Kielhorn. ROW 3. Andrea Helin, Allison Bunce, Amy Young, Micaeliah Morrill.

**WRESTLING**



Nick Dell, Jason Wheeler, Manager Carrie Schroeder, Manager Nikki Jarchow, Manager Michelle Ferguson, Chad Babcock, Royce Van Roekel. ROW 2. Aaron Madison, Sean Schrod, Justin Serbus, Kris Campbell, Mike Raes, Cody Lowman. ROW 3. Coach Jerry Stratton, Curtis Dillon, Chris Williams, Dan Logue, Matt Herrmann, Chad Baker, Louis Friestad, Coach Frank Baltzley. ROW 4. Jon Lewton, Luke Milbrandt, Chris Hansen, Adam Walz, Rod Serbus, Jeremy Bacino, Derek Kim.





**VARSITY GIRLS  
BASKETBALL**

Lacey Corcoran, Ashley Bengard, Kim Elsham, Jaymie Johnson, Kirsten Frederick. ROW 2. Coach Rick Flatt, Kelly Clarkson, Sarah Batchelder, Tammy Walz, Dana Schultz, Shauna Sleep, Kellie Greiner, Coach Justin Carlson.



**VARSITY BOYS  
BASKETBALL**

Manager Sarah Schnotala, Wes Nyberg, John Roarick, Shane Foster, Brad Sewell, Justin Grissom, Lance Routson, Kyle Mertz, Chris Dickey, Manager E.J. Runyan. ROW 2. Coach Spence Evans, Jed Schmidt, Nathan Lynch, Pat O'Hollearn, Justin Crowdis, Quinn Sypniewski, Andy Creger, Dan Kuster, Andy Sundblad, Dan Thompson, Coach Jeff Simpson.



**SOPHOMORE GIRLS  
BASKETBALL**

Angela Jennings, Anne Waller, Sarah Warner, Dawn Warner, Monica Inge. ROW 2. Melissa Ward, Lisa Doudna, Sarah Tuttle, Maggie Tews, Nikki Thies.



**SOPHOMORE BOYS  
BASKETBALL**

Chris Lanpher, Spencer Wise, Jeff Robertson, Zac Bronson, Derek Pundt, Jon Fiala. ROW 2. Adam Twedt, Scott Vermulm, Joel Beary, Jon Hardy, Coach Tom Rea, Andy Paine, Jeremy Burns, Brenden Huewe, Jacob Reichling.



**FRESHMAN GIRLS  
BASKETBALL**

Chaundra Smith, Lindsey Haag, Lindsey Kroeger, Kristin Way, Sarah Kiester. ROW 2. Coach Rick Brooks, Ayrel Clark, Elizabeth Andrews, Kelli Ryan, Sondra Schreiber, Katie Flatt, Sarah Bjornson, Manager Anna Johnson. ROW 3. Marcy Green, Sarah Skinner, Haley Wheeler, Sarah Smith, Jami Shackelford, Tara McGowan, Valerie Lewis, Tarah Schultz, Manager Deanne Danielson.



**FRESHMAN BOYS  
BASKETBALL**

Tanner Smart, Reed Baessler, Ben Merrill, Matt O'Hollearn, Eric Krofta, Jacob Bottoms, Josten Foley, Andy Ryerson. ROW 2. Jared Haag, Joe Weisz, Mike Kunert, Brett Gwinn, Chris Evans, Neal Buenz, Curtris Brown, Aaron Meyer. ROW 3. Dan Lewis, Steve Mulholland, Eric Hansen, Alex Hsu, Tim Martinson. ROW 4. Coach Joel Rankin, Nathan Fry, Ryan Johnson, Mike Cameron, Chris O'Hollearn, Nathan Gerger, Nathan Schaad, Coach Matt Hill.



**VARSITY  
CHEERLEADING**



Lindsay Hansen, Jodi Peitzman, Cassaundra Christensen. ROW 2. Emily Meyer, Kim Bjornson, Megan O'Banion, Patti Hefner. ROW 3. Tia Krultz, Emily Feaster, Mary Mullenix, Ivette Orosz.

**GIRLS' TENNIS**



Molly Langwith, Wendy Dennis, Kelly Wilges, Betsy Sanders, Anne Sciorrotta, Tammy Walz, Theresa Timmins, Jill Palensky, Jessica Henning, Shelly Sheldahl, Coach Shawn Holmes. ROW 2. Vicki Holmertz, Andee Jo Houle, Amy Palmer, Sarah Morris, Amanda Midkiff, Emily Miller, Tylene Cervetti, Bailey Hufford, Wendy Palensky. ROW 3. Laura Skow, Katie Flatt, Cathy Partington, Kathryn Winzenburg, Alyssa Ranney, Sadie Braune, Emily Feaster, Heather Schmidt, Lindsey Conway, Mary Mullenix. ROW 4. Amy Harnack, Megan Stetson, Danielle Markel, Tia Krultz, Sarah Sauber, Sarah Straw, Lindsey Haag, Ally Maas, Leah Anderson.

**JV/ FRESHMAN  
CHEERLEADING**



Michelle Cattoor, Courtney Rotz, Ashley Albertson, Andrea Ranker, Jennifer Bond, Danielle Markel. ROW 2. Jenna Peitzman, Kelsey Bell, Jenna Von Bon, Heather Clarkson, Allison Maas, Amanda Touch, Kristi Kielhorn. ROW 3. Natalie Haller, Melissa Titus, Ashley Griffith, Kate O'Donnell, Jessica Behnke, Jean Marie Romanella, Lynne Caldwell.

**VARSITY BOYS'  
TENNIS**



Andy Briggs, Adam Nieting, Ryan Kirkpatrick, Andy Verlengia, Ted Christakos. ROW 2. Cory Briggs, Chuck Terhune, Jon Martin, Andy Johnson, John Fiala.

**DANZ TEAM**



Lindsey Conway, Angela Finestead, Jessica Leiendecker, Emily Baker, Shelby Sleep. ROW 2. Melissa Mattern, Marie Bunce, Megan Lehman, Ellen Dane, Andree Jo Houle, Marcia Mattern. ROW 3. Amy Stewart, Stephanie Black, Micaelahr Morrill, Bridget Bond, Meredith Calhoun.

**JV BOYS' TENNIS**



Jacob Strohmman, Dustin Simmerman, Chuck Terhune, Ben Wicks, Josh House, Shawn Stetson, Ryan Karloff. ROW 2. Ryan Burnley, Andy Sundblad, Nathan Kirkpatrick, Reed Baessler, Chris Uchytel.





Varsity Boys  
Soccer

Brody Wells, Chris Dickey, Josten Foley, Curtis Dillon. ROW 2. Jon Foley, Jon Swanepoel, Tyler Jacobsen, Royce Van Roekel, Travis Anderson, Luke Czerwinski, Pat O'Hollearn. ROW 3. Adam Clark, Eric Peterson, Kyle Campbell, Matt Chatham, Ben Wissink, Clint Meek, Brady Jacobsen, Eric Scheuchl, Nic Scherer.



Girls' Track

Nicki Theis, Laura Warren, Shelly Jones, Kelly Anderson, Rita Fiala, Cindy Loffler, Kelly Clarkson, Amy Young. ROW 2. Heidi Kiester, Sarah Kiester, Jessica Behnke, Michelle Norton, Jacque Timmons, Jesse Reece, Jenn Gleason, Dayan Noble, Jaymie Johnson, Anne Waller. ROW 3. Megan Webster, Tara Schultz, Kelli Ryan, Anna Johnson, Lindsay Phillips, Micaelah Morrill, Carolina Czerwinski, Amanda Sellers, Lacey Corcoran. ROW 4. Coach Craig Oldham, Kari Boscaljon, Jami Schakelford, Lindsey Kroeger, Kristin Way, Sarah Warner, Katie Weisz, Monica Inge, Sarah Smith, Victoria Brenton, Coach Rick Rynning.



JV Boys' Soccer

Mike Yeoman, Jared Clark, Eric Fritz. ROW 2. Ben Flannery, Matt Herrmann, Matt Schonhorst, Andy Paine, Zach Parsons, Andy Westcott, Aaron Knowles. ROW 3. Adam Graaf, Joel Siedenburg, Andy Bro, Chris Stoner, Derek Kim, Jason Schafer.



Boys' Track

Chris Goode, Bart Whipps, Matt O'Hollearn, Curtis Brown, Eric Krofta, Kris Campbell, Ryan Johnson, Nathan Fry, Jared Haag, Justin Serbus, Jacob Bottoms, Tim Martinson. ROW 2. Randy Palmer, Canyon Atwood, Jason Wheeler, Adam Twedt, Spencer Wise, Aaron Meyer, Jon Hardey, Matt Skeens, Joe Townsend, Jeff French, E.J. Runyan. ROW 3. Damon Myers, Dan Logue, Cory Campbell, Brian Burpee, Michael Porter, Marcus Iwig, Troy Trobaugh, John Heth. ROW 4. Lance Routson, Dan Armstrong, Scott Vermulm, Nathan Krofta, Brent Whipps, Dennis Dane, John Good, Quinn Sypniewski, Shane Foster. ROW 5. Nathan Lynch, Tim Walker, Rory Flynn, Shawn Heuss, Ryan McGowan, Jason Brehmer, Wade Hays.



Freshman Boys  
Soccer

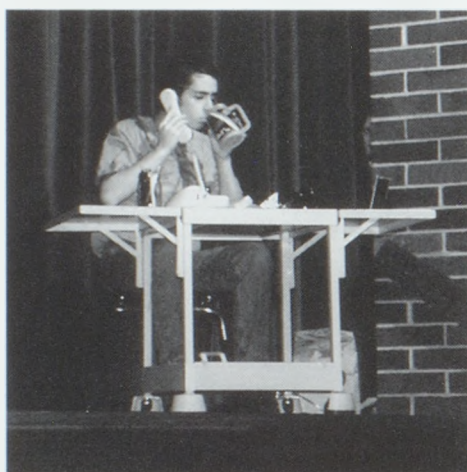
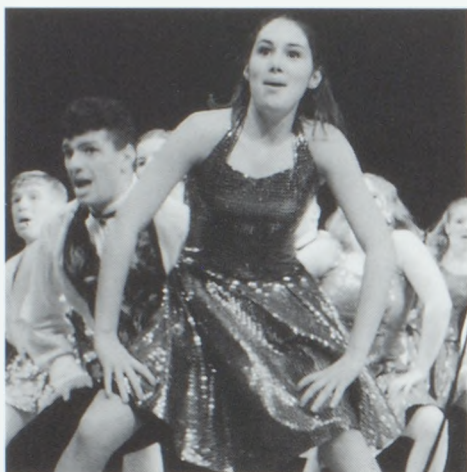
Shane Behanish, Dan Lewis, Jordan Lewis, Jon Pope, Andy Heffling. ROW 2. Nick Munoz, Brad Paul, Chris O'Hollearn, Mike Cameron, Josh Schonhorst, Chris Evans, Nathan Schaad. ROW 3. Rob Burnett, Jayson Kempf, Mike Kunert, Ryan Hyde, Joe Weisz, Nic Hansen, Matt Donaldson.



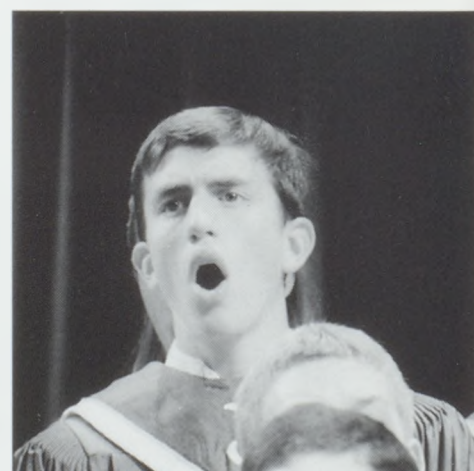
Girls' Golf

Erin Derby, Amy Martens, Erin Hansen, Tara Lashley, Jenna Peitzman. ROW 2. Ann Guisto, Sarah Martin, Jodi Peitzman, Melissa Miller, Sharon Ehm.





# The Fine Arts Division



**T**op- Juniors Megan Lehman and partner Chris Ceretti boogie down to "Sing!" in Innovation. *photo by J.Goode*

**M**id-Sophomore Ryan Karloff jabbbers in "Sorry, Wrong #." *photo by K. Brown*

**B**ottom- Junior Robbie Backstrom marches in the homecoming parade. *photo by Matt Ring*

**T**op-Juniors Sara Harper and Dawn Routson play serfs in the spring play, "Rumplestiltskin." *photo by Kelli Brown*

**B**ottom- Senior Ed McAtee, playing Scrooge, soothes his head in the fall play "Inspecting Carol." *photo by Kelli Brown*

**T**op- Sophomore Keegan Armstrong sings in a Sound Advice concert. *photo by Mish Norton*

**M**id- Senior Dan Kuster, a member of the royal court, sings at the madrigal performance. *photo by Mish Norton*

**B**ottom-Senior Andy Vis sings as a member of mixed choir. *photo by Mish Norton*



# Stand tall and enunciate

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- 1st** - Place received by Innovation at Benton
- 3** - Plays performed by drama classes plus monologs
- 3.1** - Miles marched in the homecoming parade
- 3** - Chances to get Rumpelstiltskin's name correct
- 3** - Number of ghosts in "Inspecting Carol"
- 33** - Number of men in concert choir
- \$20** - Cost of a Madrigal ticket
- 140** - Members of mixed choir



# "Band! Forward March..." and

# H A R C H

## olding positions

*"I wanted to be in Colorguard because it is a way I can express myself through dance and rhythm."*

~ Anna Frederick, '01



photo by Matt Ring

## cting as leaders

*"We created such good examples that the freshmen were open to all of our friendly criticisms."*

~ Aditya Mahajan, '98

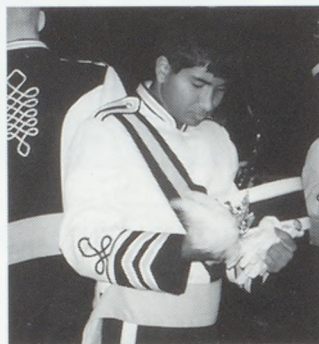


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## esounding the beat

*"For the Halloween game, (junior) Aaron Wych and I dressed as '70's dancers. We brought a boom box in and started dancing."*

~ Matt Holub, '99



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## ounting time

*"When I was conducting, I was afraid I would fall off the stand and mess up the band. I just didn't think about it, and it worked."*

~ Kirsten Frederick, '99

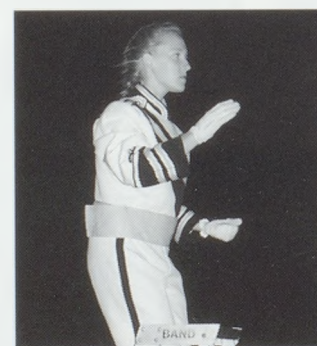


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## anging on a note

*"It's a great feeling to know that the crowd can be able to hear your talent without the band accompanying you."*

~ Kevin Walters, '99



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Leading a line of low brass, junior Chris Ceolla accompanies the band in "The Star Spangled Banner." The students began each game with the National Anthem, followed by the fight song. photo by Jen Goode



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**W**aiting for the cue, sophomore Lena Ryberg gets ready to crash the cymbals. Ryberg played in the pit crew at half time.  
*photo by Matt Ring*



**H**armonizing in their quartet, sophomores Sandeep Rao, Aaron Knowles, Travis Anderson and junior Nate Smock stand alone during "The Great Gate of Kiev." The music performed contained many solos, allowing more students to individually show their talent.  
*photo by Matt Ring*



## Rate & Review

While the rest of the school tried to catch a few more z's, the marching band was already on the field preparing for its upcoming season. Because the school day started at **7:55** a.m., the band had to arrive at **6:45** a.m. The band also took **one** Saturday to polish up their drills. "We had a contest coming up, and we still had a lot of preparing to do before the **first** contest," said sophomore Ted Christakos.

The band participated in **three**

competitions. Besides receiving a Division **I** rating at state and **second** at Bloomfield, the band also participated in Valleyfest. "(Valleyfest) was really intimidating because we had never been to a contest like this where other big bands attended," said sophomore Sarah Tuttle. Despite the pressure, the band took home **ninth** place and the award for Best Drum Majors Overall, given to senior Erin Russom and junior Kirsten Frederick.

*spread by Matt Ring and Wes Nyberg*

**Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear pants.**

**Go figure!**



# BANDS

## Better players

*"I like my flute because it's challenging at times, and when something's challenging I have to work hard to become better."*

~ Amanda Sellers, '99

## ll together

*"You learn to work as a team in band. You have to because as a team you have to make the music sound just right."*

~ Ben Molayal, '98

## erve-racking

*"When you're in front of your friends and you screw up on your solo they understand and won't tell you if you did a bad job."*

~ Aaron Knowles, '00

## isagreeing

*"I don't like the two bands because it places you in a category: good band, bad band, but I see why they had to do it."*

~ Lisa Odland, '98

## tepping up

*"Being in the first band makes the music harder which makes me want to practice more."*

~ Jacque Timmons, '00



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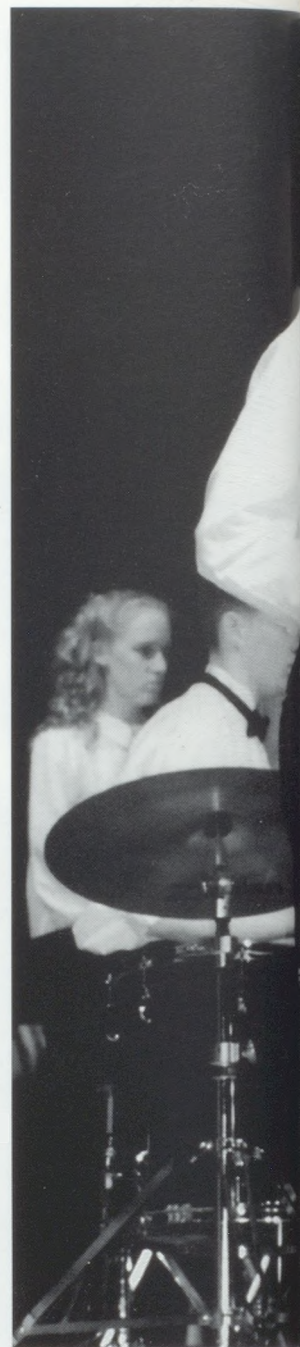
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also pictured on left Kendra McBurney, '98. photo by Matt Ring



photo by Michelle Collignon



At the winter concert, junior Nate Smock plays his solo in "Friends From The Past." Smock received one of the outstanding soloist awards for jazz band along with sophomores Aaron Knowles, Travis Anderson and Sandeep Rao. photo by Michelle Collignon

55.2% of us peek in others' bathroom cabinets.  
17% have been caught.

Go figure!





**S**ophomore Sandeep Rao plays his solo in "Birdland." Rao also had a solo in "Beat the Clock" in Jazz I. photo by Michelle Collignon



**F**ollowing along with the music, freshman Mark Lorino plays the trombone in Concert Band. There were only **five** trombones in Concert Band. Their songs for the winter concert consisted of "Chant Rituals," "Rough Riders" and "Nimrod." photo by Michelle Collignon



## Rate & Review

With the growing number of music students the performance band had to have **two** directors and bands: Wind Ensemble and Concert Band.

The Wind Ensemble participated in the Coe College Band Festival where they worked with a clinician to make their music sound better.

Concert Band participated at Valley where they received a Division **II** rating. "It was a good experience," said freshman Matt

Treska. "We learned what we had to practice for future competition."

The jazz band also had to split up. "What I like about the (jazz) bands is if a freshman doesn't make the top band then they don't have to sit out a year," said director Ms. Jessica Paff.

The **first** jazz band went to competitions such as SCIBA, Augustana (**first** place), Jack Oats (**seventh** place) and the Chicago Jazz Festival.

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# CHORUS

## ooling tension

*"I was a little nervous starting out because I thought the expectations would be higher, but it wasn't too different than middle school."*

~ Katie Miller, '01



photo by Michelle Norton

## earing stories

*"Mr. Ryan Beeken told us about the doctor putting a camera down his throat to monitor his vocals. Everyone thought it was really funny."*

~ Jessica Defigueiredo, '01



photo by Michelle Norton

## utside competition

*"I'm really liked going to the different places and competing with all of the other schools."*

~ Mathew McCrea, '01

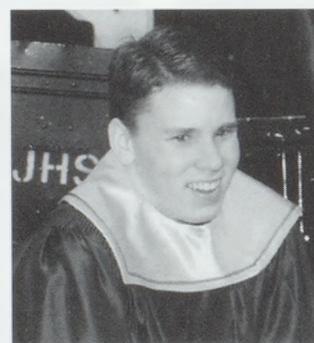


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## mprovement

*"We have a lot of ability and talent in the class. There will be a lot of leaders coming out of this group."*

~ Mr. Ryan Beeken



photo by Brody Wells

## epetition

*"Before a concert, we practice our songs a lot. Then the night of the concert we get our robes on, warm-up and go out and do our thing."*

~ Ellen Schoville, '01



photo by Brody Wells



**F**reshman Andrea Forbes concentrates on holding the note during the spring concert held in April. The freshman chorus worked hard to prepare for their competitions and concerts.  
photo by Michelle Norton

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**S**inging during the fall concert, freshman Chris Fourman holds a steady note. *photo by Brody Wells.*



**D**uring the spring concert, Ms. Margary Ann Sehn plays the piano for the freshman chorus. Sehn along with Mr. Jim Larabee accompanied the chorus whenever the additional piano music was needed. *photo by Brody Wells*



## Rate & Review

Several incoming freshman started the year off in a musical fashion. About **seventy** students joined the freshmen chorus for many different reasons. Marcy Green said, "I like the teachers and the class is not too strict since all you have to do is sing."

Freshman chorus was a prerequisite for other music classes, which was another reason for joining. "I want to be in Sound Advice or Concert Choir, so I have

to be in freshmen chorus **first**," said Brian Huff.

The chorus held **three** concerts throughout the year. Each concert involved a lot of preparation. The class ran through each song over and over again until the concert day. "We practice hard, sing a lot and work on the little things to get ready," said Michelle Fergesen.

The class, which accepted everyone, prepared the students for other musical programs in the future.

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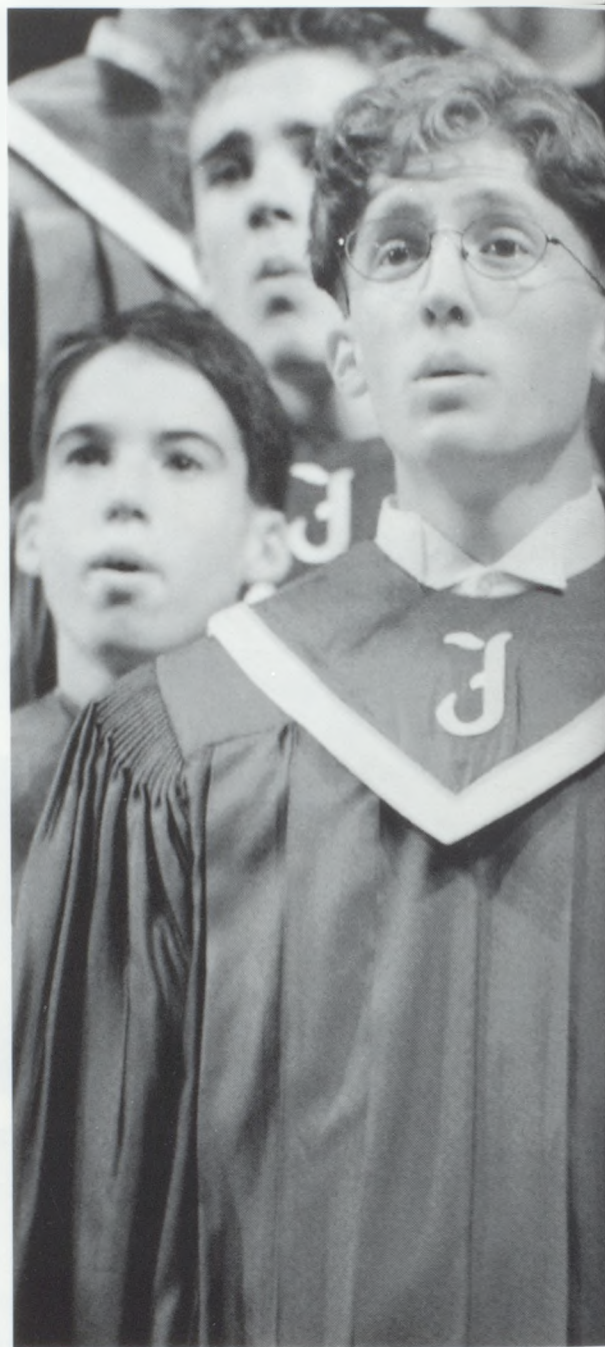
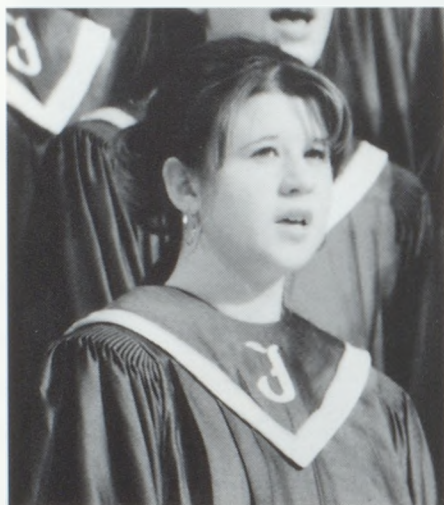
**In Oxford, Ohio, it's illegal for a women to strip while standing in front of a man's picture.**

**Go figure!**



Watching director Jodell White, junior Danielle Berg sings with the women's chorus at the spring concert. *photo by Michelle Norton*

Performing "The Battle of Jericho," senior Brooke Burbanks sings a descant (a melody sung higher than the other parts.) Burbanks said, "Of all my hobbies and activities, singing fulfills me the most because music goes with being happy." *photo by Michelle Norton*



## Review & Rate

For the mid-winter concert, Mixed Chorus was accompanied by a string ensemble while singing "Mass in G" by Franz Schubert.

There were **six** movements in this piece of music and they were all sung in Latin. In these movements, the song featured **three** soloists: seniors Sarah Green and Ed McAtee and junior Joel Ashby.

Singing "Mass in G" was a chance to sing as well as learn.

Junior Kaitlin Rainwater said, "We learned more about music history by singing this music."

Later in the spring, the Mixed Chorus split into **two** ensembles, the men's chorus and the women's chorus and got a chance to learn in a different environment. Director Ryan Beeken felt this worked to the chorus' advantage. "When we split up, both groups sound superior and more advanced," said Beeken.

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Most American car horns honk in the key of F or B flat.

**Go figure!**





# Learning, singing and listening to the

# MUSIC

## Mass in G

*"'Mass in G' was awesome. It took a lot of work, we had to practice the night before, but it was worth it. It was the highlight of the season."*

*~ Shelley Jones, '00*



photo by Michelle Norton

## sing the voice

*"'Music When Soft Voices Die,' that the women's chorus sang, was my favorite song. It sounded better with just girls."*

*~ Erin Derby, '99*



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## singing solo

*"It was an honor to get the solo (for 'Mass in G.'). It took a while for me to get it all together, but in the end it was worth it."*

*~ Sarah Green, '98*



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## involvement

*"I am in chorus because it's an extra-curricular activity that I enjoy. I like singing and being in a group with people."*

*~ Nichole Lloyd, '00*



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## coming together

*"I sang in Mixed Chorus for the first time. It was neat because I got to hear a better, fuller sound and I got to sing with the upper-classmen."*

*~ Jovey Molayal, '00*



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**J**unior Steve Good and sophomores Grant Patterson and Keen Harvey sing at the fall concert. Good said, "We lost a lot of great singers last year, but the sophomores who moved up to Mixed Chorus did great." photo by Michelle Norton

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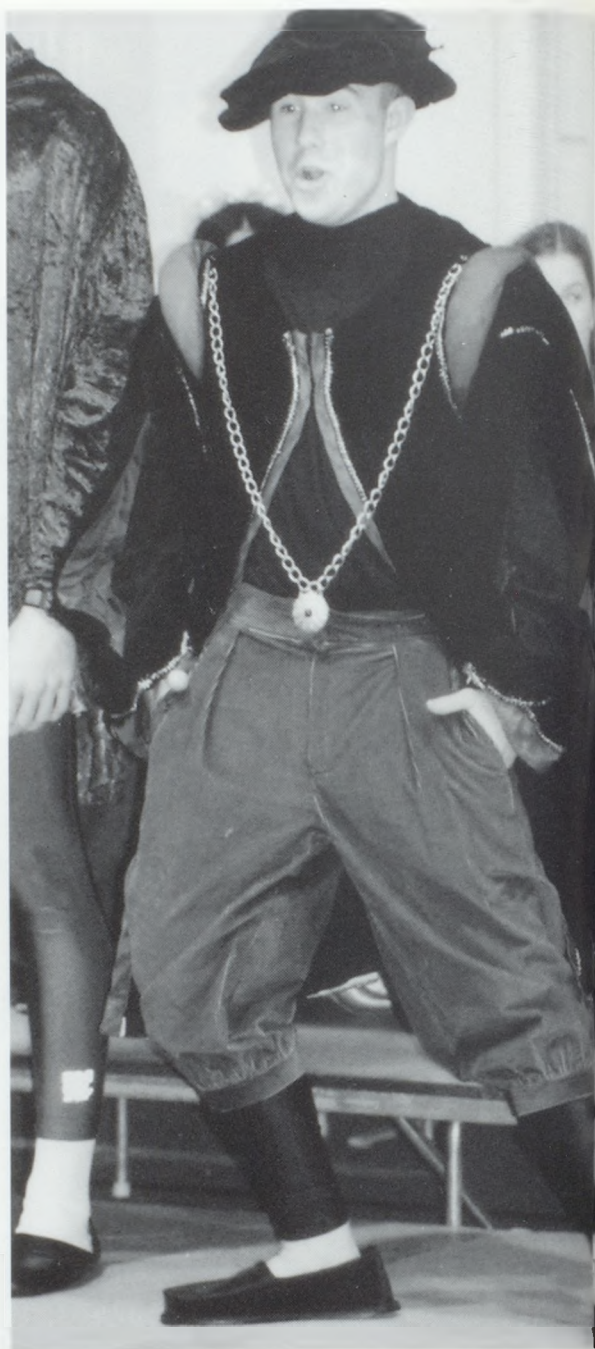
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Playing the tamborine during "Pastime with Good Company," senior Gina Porto practices for Madrigal. *photo by Emily Miller*

Holding a note, junior Kirsten Frederick and senior Nicole Chavas sing "Prayer of the Children." The song was written for the children in Bosnia. Frederick said, "The song has a great effect depending on how the choir sings it, and I think we gave it a lot of feeling." *photo by Michelle Collignon*



## Rate & Review

The choir put on a strong show during the Madrigal dinner performances. "The dinner went smoothly, everyone knew the music well and the show was all together," said sophomore Courtney Howard. "This made our performances successful."

However, the Madrigal dinner was not the only event that Concert Choir participated in. They had **three** seasonal concerts and participated in Large Group

Contest at Valley High School. Senior Robert Larson said, "Our raw talent is good enough without practice so we are able to get by with the highest scores possible."

The major focuses of the year dealt with sound and tone quality. "Although the choir was larger, the level of excellence has not diminished," said director Jodell White. "They have tremendous talent, but the key to success has been their positive attitudes."

spread by Michelle Collignon





*The choir worked on improving skills and*

# FOUND

## erving others

*"I was a servant for the royal court and carried out their cups to be filled. The best part was bringing in the boar's head for Madrigal."*

~ J.D. Marvin, '00

## ppportunity

*"I enjoyed leading the procession during Madrigal and I had wanted to be Queen since I was a freshman so it was a dream come true."*

~ Angela Schaad, '98

## nified movement

*"I loved doing 'men in tights' (for the Madrigal dinner) because it was a perfect copy of the movie 'Robin Hood Men in Tights'."*

~ Joel Ashby, '99

## ew voices

*"It's pretty cool making it (concert choir) as a freshman since very few do. It's nice knowing you're one of the best vocalists in the class."*

~ Ian Bradt, '01

## ynamics

*"There were awesome accoustics in the chuch where Madrigal was held. I think the audience enjoyed hearing each of us individually."*

~ Greta Davis, '00



also pictured on right Emily Slattery, '99, photo by Michelle Norton



also pictured on left Ben Molayal, '99, photo by Michelle Norton



also pictured on right Phil Gauthier, '99, photo by Emily Miller



photo by Michelle Collignon



also pictured on left Katie Barnett, '99, photo by Michelle Norton

The oldest known goldfish was 41-years-old.  
His name was Fred.

**Go figure!**



# Show choirs let their bodies and engines

# S W I N G

## haking with fear

*"I pray before every performance that there won't be a microphone in front of me and that I won't fall flat on my face."*

~ Shelly Nissen, '98

## orking the crowd

*"We try to use eye contact and look at the audience to get them involved. When there's more people and they're into it, we are too."*

~ Jesse Reece, '00

## n the spotlight

*"When we begin our Jamaican set, I start it by asking everyone to 'come out to the islands.' Everyone loves the set because it's unique."*

~ Nate Butzen, '99

## oteworthy show

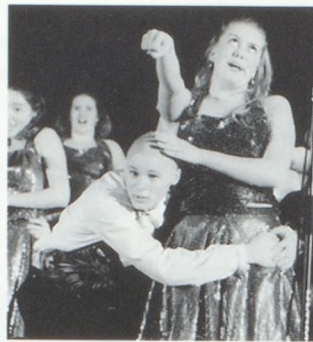
*"Our best performance was at Fort Madison because everyone was together. We finally did everything Mr. (Ryan) Beeken told us to do."*

~ Andy Heffling, '01

## aining ground

*"Our choreography was a big asset to our success. We had a high-class choreographer so we topped everyone in that part of our show."*

~ Amy Palmer, '99



also pictured on left Grant Mandsager, '00. photo by Jen Goode



photo by Jen Goode



photo by Jen Goode



also pictured on left Molly Haight, '01. photo by Jen Goode



also pictured on right Matt Hermann, '00. photo by Jen Goode



**L**etting her arms extend, senior Kelli Dennis performs "Sing" with her partner senior Wes Nyberg. The song was taken from the movie of the same name and was then choreographed for Innovation. photo by Jen Goode

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Junior Katie Barnett performs to "Turn on the Night" at the fall concert. This was her first year in Sound Advice. photo by M. Norton



During "Zombie Jamboree," junior Jarod Carl poses on the stage. The song was part of Innovation's Jamaican theme which also included the "Soca Opener" and "Swingin' Engines." photo by Jen Goode



After Innovation hosted their own invitational, they began their strenuous competition season. They received **fourth** place at N.W. Missouri State, **third** at Urbandale, and their success continued at Benton where they were named grand champions.

They finished the season earning **third** at Fort Madison. "We were pumped that we conquered Urbandale because they beat us the past few years," said senior Gina

Porto. "It was kind of a revenge thing."

Sound Advice placed **sixth** at Urbandale, **fourth** at Lewis Central and **first** at Fort Madison. They also received **first** place in the show choir division at a national competition in Dallas, Texas. "We got to see how we compared to other groups around the country," said freshman Matt McCrea, "and we beat all of them."

Both choirs finished the year performing in the "Time Warp" swing choir show.

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Review  
&  
Rate

MTV reaches 85% of households with one teenager.

Go figure!

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**D**uring a drama play sophomore Mike Skinner begs for forgiveness from junior Brad Scott before Lindsey Conway '00. photo by K. Brown



**L**aura, played by senior Nicole Chavas, begs for Rumpelstiltskin's (senior Aditya Mahajan) help spinning the gold during the spring play. It was double-casted so more students would be able to perform. photo by Kate Vocolka



## Rate & Review

For the **first** time in **five** years the drama classes and spring and fall play casts were able to return their performances to the high school. Before the casts had been performing at the middle school due to extensive renovations in the high school auditorium.

Changes made included updating the lighting system, adding storage and introducing a more modern sound system. Director Phyllis Caswell said the changes

made the play easier to produce. "The equipment is so good I don't have to be asking them to yell and don't have to worry about them facing the front of the auditorium. They are a lot more comfortable on stage," said Caswell.

Junior Aaron Atkinson, cast member of all three productions, agreed. "It makes me more comfortable because I don't have to worry about being loud. I can concentrate more on my lines."

**Masseurs in ancient Japan were required by law to be totally blind.**

**Go figure!**



# Actors performed on a renovated

# STAGE

## ound effects

*"The phone was supposed to ring two times. It wasn't ringing so I decided to pick it up and when I did, it started ringing."*

~ Anglea Jennings, '00

## echnical crew

*"The tough part is learning how the sound board works and what all the buttons do. If you screw up, the audience looks back at you."*

~ Erik Allison, '98

## pplying makeup

*"One performance I thought I found some mascara. Then I saw it was hair stuff so I tried it and it made my hair grey. It wouldn't come out."*

~ Stephanie Nyberg, '00

## iving up time

*"We practiced Tuesdays and Thursdays for over two months. It took a lot to memorize my lines because I waited 'til the last minute."*

~ Brian Huff, '01

## xageration

*"You have to use big movements because if you don't, some people won't be able to understand the emotions you're trying to portray."*

~ Carolyn Merrill, '98



photo by Kelli Brown



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photo by Kelli Brown



also pictured on left Emily Haight, '99, photo by Kelli Brown

Performing his lines, senior Wes Nyberg works out his script changes for junior Nate Butzen during "Inspecting Carol," the fall play. The play was adapted from the novel "The Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens. photo by Kelli Brown

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**MARCHING BAND -  
FLAGS/DRUM MAJORS**



Kirsten Frederick, Erin Russom. ROW 2. Kendra McBurney, Gina Porto, Alycia Comer, Errin Clark. ROW 3. Sara Harper, Andrea Jess, Ayrel Clark, Anna Frederick, Genevieve Ramsay.

**MARCHING BAND -  
TRUMPETS/PERC.**



Lena Rydberg, Emily Jamison, Julie Floersch, Anne Giusto, Kristyn Knight, Dustin Simmerman, Matt Skeens, Mike Porto, Zarine Anklesaria. ROW 2. John Just, David Kesse, Robert Backstrom, Matt Longmire, Shawn Stetson, Brenton Gray, Elizabeth Andrews, Stephen Meiners, Nathan Schaad, Joe Weisz. ROW 3. Alanna Allen, Justin Hazelbroek, Kevin Walters, Aaron Wych, Matt Holub, Matthew Krueger, Tony Dunskey.

**MARCHING BAND -  
WOODWINDS**



Karolina Czerwinski, Stephanie Gibb, Marcy Green, Megan Stetson, Jessica DeFigueiredo, Jacque Timmons, Dawn Routson, Pam Thomas. ROW 2. Amanda Sellers, Sarah Meston, Katie Barnett, Lisa Koch, Katie Albrecht, Ted Christakos, Laura Warren. ROW 3. Melissa Knowles, Michelle Collignon, Angela Horstman, John Messerly, Lisa Odland, Kaylin Bird, Ashleigh Griffith.

**CONCERT BAND -  
WOODWINDS**



Alycia Comer, Ayrel Clark, Andrea Jess, Alyssa Andrews, Genevieve Ramsay. ROW 2. Kaylin Bird, Stephanie Gibb, Marcy Green, Angela Horstman, Jeremy Burns, Ted Christakos. ROW 3. Jon Gourley, Joel Borwick, Joe Darr, Carl Limyao, Cory Curtis. ROW 4. Tristan Stanley, Matt O'Hollearn, Lindsay Simmerman, Valeria Sloan-Lyon, Robert Calland.

**MARCHING BAND -  
BRASS**



Tristan Stanley, Ian Bradt, Valeria Sloan-Lyon, Joel Borwick, Carl Limyao, Ryan Seaberg, Lindsay Simmerman, Ryan Jameson. ROW 2. Staci Georgen, Mark Lorino, Natalie Beck, Jessi Reece, Jon Gourley, Cory Curtis, Matt O'Hollearn, Matt Treska, Ryan Bergman. ROW 3. Chris Ceolla, Sarah Tuttle, Aaron Knowles, Robert Shumaker, Travis Anderson, Jeremy Burns, Robert Calland, Steve Good, Aditya Mahajan.

**CONCERT BAND -  
BRASS**



Brenton Gray, Shawn Stetson, Mike Porto, Mike McLaughlin, David Kesse. ROW 2. Anne Giusto, Matt Krueger, Kristyn Knight, Elizabeth Andrews, Errin Clark, Julie Floersch. ROW 3. Katie McLaughlin, Ryan Olson, Nathan Schaad, Kyle Beach, Robert Shumaker. ROW 4. Steve Good, Royce VanRoekle, Matt Treska, Ryan Jameson, Matt Lorino, Natalie Beck, Amy Schoepf.



Five different dolphins "acted" in T.V.'s "Flipper" ... but only **one** horse played Mr. Ed. **Go Figure!**



**WIND ENSEMBLE -  
BRASS**

Steve Meiners, Ben Molalay, Sandeep Rao, Zarine Anklesaria, Stacie Georgen, Adena Dudney, Ian Bradt. ROW 2. Aditya Mahajan, Robbie Backstrom, Austin Sapienza, Aaron Knowles, Chris Ceolla, Ryan Bergman, Missy Knowles, Katie Keck, Emily Jamison. ROW 3. Dustin Simmerman, Joe Weisz, Aaron Wych, Kevin Walters, Sarah Tuttle, Travis Anderson, Monica Miller, Alanna Allen.



**FRESHMAN CHORUS -  
ALTOS**

Sarah Kiester, Ellen Schoville, Julie Robertson, Jayme Whitaker, Jessi McMillen, Natalie Haller. ROW 2. Lindsay Smith, Valerie Lewis, Sarah Bjornson, Amber Gillotti, Lisette Cabrera, Lindsey Haag, Ann Peterson. ROW 3. Ann Miller, Tara McGowan, Deanne Danielson, Kristin Way, Chastina Ray, Jenna Von Bon. ROW 4. Molly Langwith, Amy Schoepf, Maggie Tews, Aryel Clark, Monica Montero.



**WIND ENSEMBLE -  
WOODWINDS**

Lisa Odland, Amanda Sellers, Kirsten Frederick, Kendra McBurney, Katie Barnett, Anna Frederick. ROW 2. Megan Stetson, Jacque Timmons, Pam Thomas, Karolina Czerwinski. ROW 3. Katie Albrecht, Kristi Kielhorn, Lisa Koch, Erin Russom.



**FRESHMAN CHORUS -  
SOPRANOS**

Brandy Nuss, Andrea Forbes, Jean Marie Romanella, Heather House, Marcy Green, Trisha Camery. ROW 2. Molly Haight, Christina Golightly, Sarah Smith, Haley Wheeler, Kristi Kramer, Tara Thornton, Heather Clarkson, Faith Hall. ROW 3. Emily Harper, Katie Miller, Catherine Partington, Megan Webster, Anna Johnson, Emily Hoffman, Alyssa Ranney, Angela Lee. ROW 4. Megan Wilkens, Kate Winzenburg, Lindsey Kroeger, Meredith Avaux, Chaundra Smith, Lynne Caldwell, Anna Frederick, Monica Miller, Katie Albrecht.



**JAZZ BAND**

Ian Bradt, Ben Molalay, Sandeep Rao, Erin Russom, Zarine Anklesaria, Tristan Stanley, Ryan Seaberg. ROW 2. Matt Treska, Nate Smock, Ryan Bergman, Chris Ceolla, Shawn Stetson, Sarah Tuttle, Anne Giusto, Kristyn Knight. ROW 3. Dustin Simmerman, Joe Weisz, Aaron Wych, Kevin Walters, Kirsten Frederick, Aaron Knowles, Travis Anderson, Nathan Shaad, Monica Miller.



**FRESHMAN CHORUS -  
MEN**

James Willems, Kris Campbell, Ian Bradt, Jake Smart, Brad Paul, Michael Cameron. ROW 2. Neal Buenz, Jacob Bottoms, Eric Krofta, Nathan Schaad, David Batchelder. ROW 3. Joe Smeltzer, Michael Porto, Jonathon Lewton, Joe Weisz, Brian Huff.

Smokey the bear has his own zip code: 20252. • It takes about **four** hours to hard-boil an ostrich egg. **Go Figure!**



**MIXED CHOIR -  
ALTOS**



Alycia Comer, Erin Samson, Shauna Sleep, Hallie Durnavich, Julie Goodrich, Lisa Oviatt, Rochelle Anderson, Emily Baker, Karolina Czerwinski, Emily Slattery. ROW 2. Katie Barnett, Shelly Nissen, Jennifer Goode, Cassandra Christensen, Amanda Sellers, Nicole Lloyd, Sara Madison, Tyelene Cervetti, Kristyn Knight, Emily Garrett. ROW 3. Leslie McAtee, Emily Haight, Courtney Howard, Lisa Koch, Andee Jo Houle, Michelle Vacco-Young, Shelley Jones, Emily Jamison, Jessica Reece, Libby Hietbrink, Sarah Meston. ROW 4. Ashley Bengard, Meredith Calhoun, Megan Lehman, Tammy Walz, Nicole Weirich, Stephanie Nyberg, Andrea Helin, Jenna Peitzman, Jodi Peitzman, Stephanie Nichols, Megan Nyberg, Stacie Schroeder.

**CONCERT CHOIR -  
ALTOS**



Kaitlin Rainwater, Andee Jo Houle, Christina DeHamer, Cassaundra Christensen, Emily Slattery, Michelle Vacco-Young. ROW 2. Lisa Oviatt, Katie Barnett, Leslie McAtee, Megan Lehman, Emily Haight, Molly Langwith, Lena Rydberg. ROW 3. Jen Goode, Shauna Sleep, Tammy Walz, Jodi Peitzman, Stephanie Nichols, Lisa Koch, Shelly Nissen.

**MIXED CHOIR -  
SOPRANOS**



Kristi Johnson, Eileen Leslie, Sarah Coleman, Felisha Montero, Nicole Chavas, Megan Sheeks, Amy Palmer, Kirsten Frederick. ROW 2. Cindy Löffler, Julianne Heffling, Meghann Wiig, Emily Miller, Kelly Anderson, Andrea Jess, Lena Rydberg, Alyssa Andrews. ROW 3. Sarah Green, Erin Derby, Betsy Sanders, Amelia Groetsch, Anne Peterman, Greta Davis, Kim Bjornson, Anna Hall. ROW 4. Erin Russom, Brooke Burbank, Christina DeHamer, Jenna Matkins, Gina Porto, Chrystal Martin, Kelli Dennis, Jorie Moravec, Sharon Ehm.

**CONCERT CHOIR -  
MEN**



Quinn Sypniewski, Adam Lewis, Jarod Carl, Ed McAtee, Andy Vis, Jason Brehmer, Adam Graaf, Keegan Armstrong, Nate Butzen, Rory Flynn. ROW 2. Grant Patterson, Ben Flannery, Ryan Burnley, Mike Yeoman, Dan Johnson, Grant Mandsager, Matt Herrmann, John Heth, Brian Huff, Joel Ashby. ROW 3. Ian Bradt, J.D. Marvin, Miles Kirkpatrick, Luke Hall, Phil Gauthier. ROW 4. Nate Lynch, Steve Good, Dan Kuster, Nathan Huber, Ben Molayal, Wes Nyberg, Chris Ceretti, Robert Larson.

**MIXED CHOIR -  
MEN**



Jarod Carl, Keegan Armstrong, Andy Vis, Edward McAtee, Adam Graaf, Rory Flynn. ROW 2. Joel Ashby, Nathaniel Butzen, Matt Herrmann, Chris Ceretti, Ben Flannery, Wesley Nyberg, Nathan Lynch. ROW 3. John Heth, Ryan Burnley, Adam Lewis, Benny Molayal, J.D. Marvin, Robert Larson, Dan Kuster, Michael Yeoman. ROW 4. Jason Brehmer, Grant Mandsager, Luke Hall, Phillip Gauthier, Nathan Huber, Steve Good, Quinn Sypniewski, Miles Kirkpatrick.

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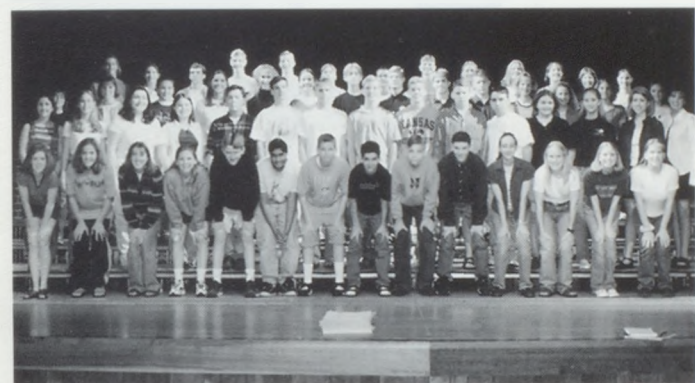
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**INNOVATION**

Felisha Montero, Amy Palmer, Meghann Wiig, Anglea Schaad, Jorie Moravec, Kelli Dennis, Sharon Ehm, Megan Sheeks, Sarah Green, Gina Porto. ROW 2. Lisa Koch, Shauna Sleep, Emily Haight, Megan Lehman, Tammy Walz, Shelly Nissen, Jodi Peitzman, Cassie Christensen, Leslie McAtee, Stephanie Nichols, Emily Miller. ROW 3. Wes Nyberg, Grant Mandsager, Joel Ashby, Adam Graaf, J.D. Marvin, Nate Butzen, Matt Herrmann, Jarod Carl, Dan Johnson, Ryan Burnley, Robert Larson, Rory Flynn. ROW 4. Ben Flannery, Ben Molayol, Ed McAtee, Jason Brehmer, Andy Vis, Adam Lewis, Nate Lynch, Steve Good, Dan Kuster, Chris Ceretti, Phil Gauthier, John Heth.



**SOUND ADVICE**

Molly Haight, Tyelene Cervetti, Cindy Loffler, Jessi Reece, Joe Smeltzer, Jovey Molayol, Dan Lewis, Mike Porto, Andy Heffling, Keegan Armstrong, Betsy Sanders, Molly Langwith, Erin Samson, Hallie Dumavich. ROW 2. Stacey Schroeder, Megan Webster, Amelia Groetsch, Courtney Howard, Mike Yeoman, Matt O'Hollearn, Jon Lewton, Joe Weisz, Chris Goode, Matt McCrea, Brian Huff, Ann Miller, Sarah Bjornson, Katie Barnett, Sarah Martin. ROW 3. Stacie Georgen, Meredith Avaux, Kate Winsenberg, Christina DeHammer, Jenny Bond, Greta Davis, Nathan Schaad, James Willems, Jacob Bottoms, Andy Ryerson, Sarah Smith, Haley Wheeler, Lindsey Haag, Sarah Kiester. ROW 4. Lindsey Kroeger, Ashley Bengard, Steve Meiners, Michael Cameron, Brad Paul, Miles Kirkpatrick, David Batchelder, Enc Krofta, Chaundra Smith, Maggie Tews, Tara McGowan, Deanne Danielson, Andee Jo Houle.



**FALL PLAY**

Emily Haight, Anglea Jennings, Nicole Chavas, Mike Skinner. ROW 2. Andee Jo Houle, Anne Peterman, Ed McAtee, Aditya Mahajan, Carolyn Merrill. ROW 3. Dave Gray, Wes Nyberg, Aaron Atkinson, Nate Butzen. ROW 4. Robert Larson, Amanda Sellers, Karolina Czerwiniski, Lisa Koch.



**PERIOD 5 DRAMA**

Beth Simpson, Megan Nyberg, Nicole Lemke, Angela Jennings, Micaelah Morrill, Amanda Sellers. ROW 2. Andrea Helin, Stacie Schroeder, Stephanie Nyberg, Anne Waller, Amy Young, Lindsey Conway, Cindy Loffler. ROW 3. Aaron Atkinson, Paul Venter, Kent Anderson, Jared Clark, Brad Scott, Ann Peterman, Mike Skinner.



**PERIOD 6 DRAMA**

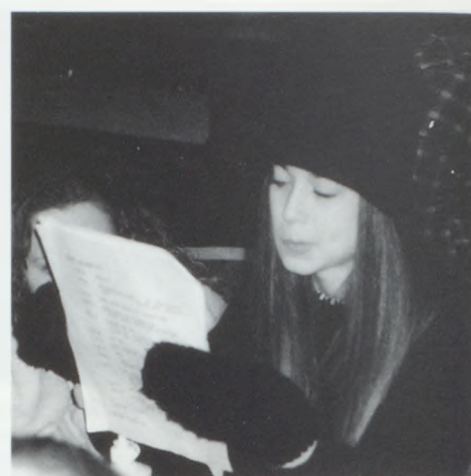
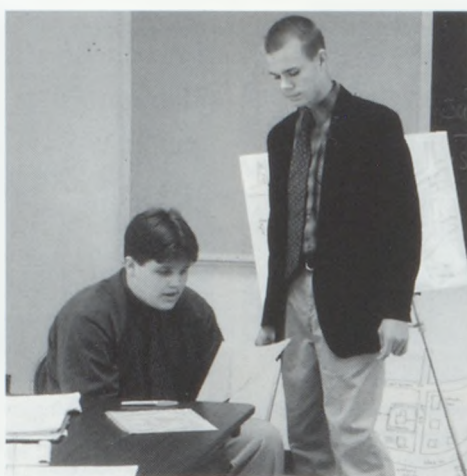
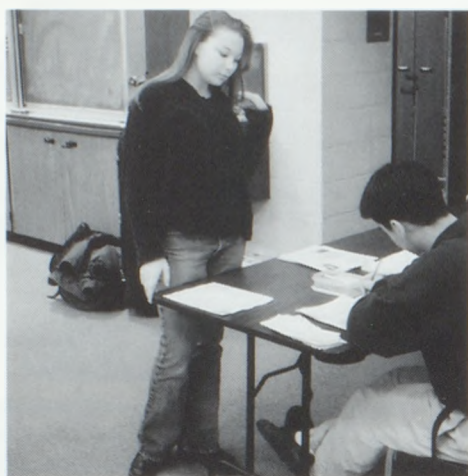
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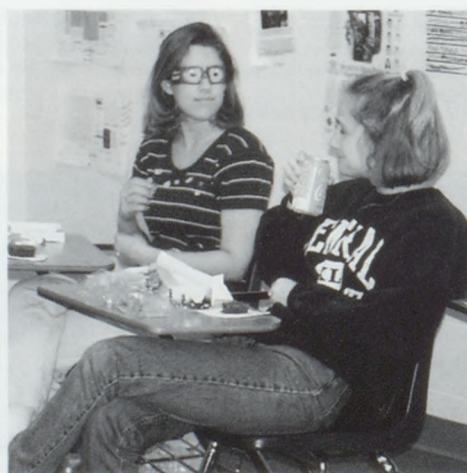
**SPRING PLAY**

Lisa Koch, Carolyn Merrill, Nicole Chavas, Katie Barnett, Mike Skinner, Wes Nyberg. ROW 2. Rod Serbus, Amanda Sellers, Cassie Christensen, Karolina Czerwiniski, Ayrel Clark, Sarah Meston, Cindy Shumaker, Robert Larson, Jarod Carl. ROW 3. Marah Weigel, Meredith Calhoun, Errin Clark, Dawn Routson, Aditya Mahajan. ROW 4. Keegan Armstrong, Erik Allison, Jenny Bond, Michelle Catoor, Sarah Green, Ben Merrill, Brian Huff. ROW 5. Aaron Atkinson, Tim Atkinson, Ryan Karloff, Sara Harper, Ann Peterman, Ed McAtee, Steve Good.





## The Groups Division



**T**op- Senior Dayan Noble signs up to donate blood for the drive. *photo by Benny Flannery*

**M**id-Junior Rod Serbus builds a spice rack in T.S.A. *photo by Emily Miller*

**B**ottom- Senior Chrystal Martin, N.H.S. member, hands out carnations for Valentine's Day. *photo by S. Strack*

**T**op-Sophomores Jason Olson and Joel Beary practice for mock trial with exhibits. *photo by Jen Goode*

**B**ottom- Junior Emily Miller and senior Kate Vocolka talk about the tasty treats during yearbook's Valentine party. *photo by Wes Nyberg*

**T**op- Sophomore Andrea Ranker reads over the itinerary at the Leadership Retreat. *photo by Benny Flannery*

**M**id- Sophomore Genevieve Ramsay and senior Kim Kohles go over a layout in newspaper. *photo by J. White*

**B**ottom-Junior Pamela Thomas leads a discussion during a F.C.A. meeting. *photo by Matt Ring*



# Get involved and participate

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- 32** - Pints of blood donated by students
- 1st** - Place given to Rod Serbus in Aerospace Competition
- \$1** - Price of carnations sold by N.H.S.
  - 1** - Mock trial team that advanced to state semi-finals
  - 2** - Couches in the yearbook lab
  - 3** - Days at Boone Y-Camp for the Leadership Retreat
- 60.5** - Pounds of new printer for the journalism lab
- 40** - Average attendance at a F.C.A. meeting



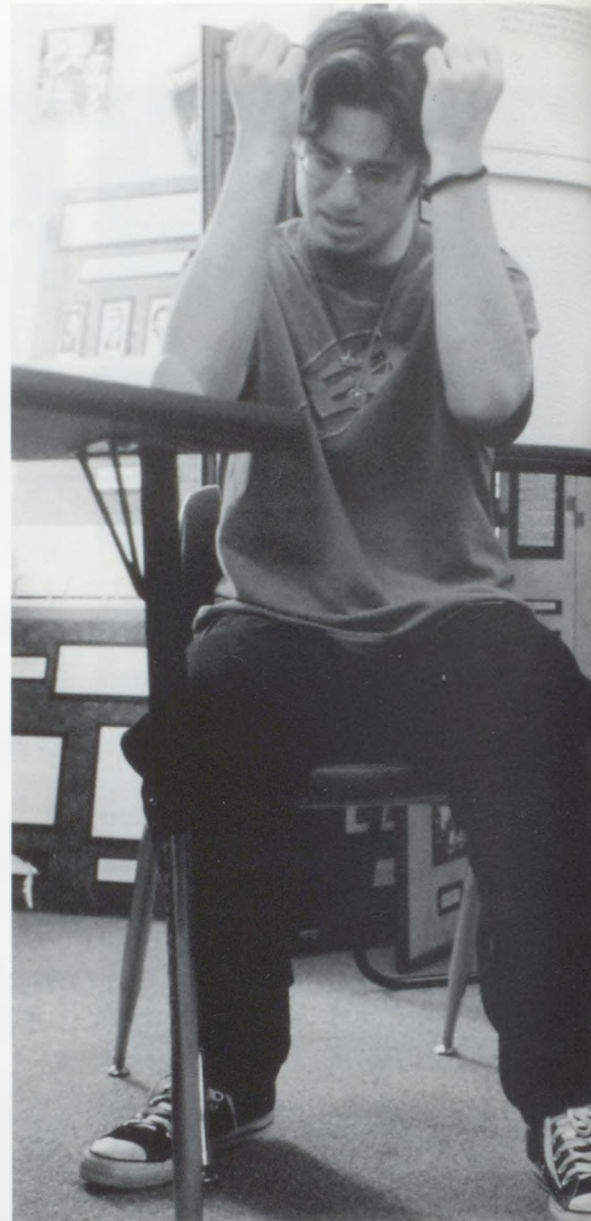
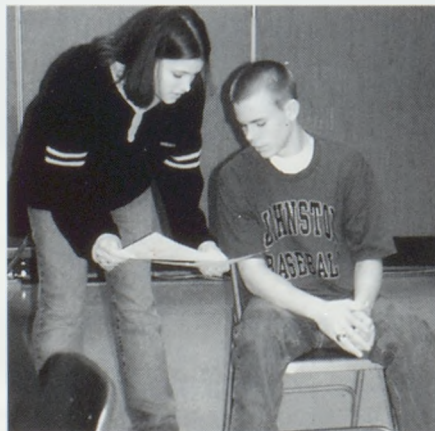
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# UNDER SCRUTINY

**Students in mock trial** were given a police brutality case. The case was about **two** Cuban-Americans who were pulled over on drunk-driving charges. When things got out of hand, an officer had to defend himself using his baton and **one** of the suspects was killed. Sophomore Micaelah Morrill said, "Our case was really controversial and hard to prove to the judges."

**The four teams** spent time before and after school, as well as on weekends, working with lawyers to prepare the case. They also learned proper legal procedures as well as courtroom etiquette. Zarine Anklesaria, sophomore, said, "You need to practice each side equally because when you get to competition you have to go against **three** different teams, and you are not certain about what side of the case you will present." **Students had mixed emotions** about the year. Three of the teams made it to the state competition at Valley High School and Drake University. Some were dissatisfied about not qualifying for nationals while others were pleased with making it to state. Sophomore Anne Peterman said, "We were undefeated and did not get to go to nationals, so we were a little disappointed, but as a team we did really well." **Even though some** weren't happy with the outcome, they did leave the courtroom with a better understanding of the legal process. Junior Jarod Carl said, "Mock trial gives me a chance to think on my feet, which I don't normally do a lot." spread by Melissa Miller

**P**racticing impeaching a witness, freshman Heather King has sophomore Joel Beary look at his affidavit. Students met each morning at 6:55 to practice before school.  
*photo by Melissa Miller*





Sophomore Jason Olson points to Cinco Santiago, a witness, in the courtroom. Olson played the role of Officer Robson, the defendant. *photo by Jen Goode*

Waiting to respond, junior Andy McGhay listens to a question from the defense. McGhay acted the part of eyewitness Norman Lubinsky. *photo by Jen Goode*

Junior Nate Butzen explains a piece of evidence for the courtroom during dress rehearsal. Butzen was a crime lab technician for the prosecution. *photo by Melissa Miller*

Talking to the judges, junior Nigel Berndt begins his opening statement for the defense. Lawyers played two roles on each side. *photo by Melissa Miller*



Conferring together, lawyers freshman Chris Goode, sophomore Grant Patterson and junior Rita Fiala go over notes during a dress rehearsal. Preparing the case required teamwork from everyone. *photo by Jen Goode*

## WHAT DID YOU DO TO PREPARE FOR COMPETITION?



Betsy Sanders, 10

*"We practiced as a team about **nine to ten** hours a week before school, after school, on weekends and then personal preparation. As our competitions got closer we had a lot of run throughs and dress rehearsals also."*



Girija Mahajan, 9

*"We had to be at school at **6:55** every morning and sometimes on weekends and early dismissal days. It helped talking with other students and the lawyers who had experience, because I was new at it and didn't really know where to start."*

Pat Midtlyng, junior, shows his emotions during a rehearsal. Midtlyng played the role of an eyewitness who saw his friend killed. *photo by Jen Goode*

Listening to the judge, juniors Jaison Molayal and Matt Holub wait for the ruling to Molayal's objection. *photo by Melissa Miller*



TUTORING  
GIVING AID  
LIVING EXAMPLES  
SELLING CARNATIONS

# BEYOND RECOGNITION

**Although most students** only saw National Honor Society members selling carnations for Homecoming and Valentine's Day, the members also were involved in the community. They broke up into different groups in order to accomplish their many service projects and goals. These projects ranged from serving dinner at the Door of Faith to the homeless to participating in a phone-a-thon in order to raise money for Dollars for Scholars. They also purchased a flag for the school with the money they raised from their projects. **Besides demonstrating service,** members also had high scholarship (a GPA of 3.4), leadership and character. The members used these skills to lead the organization themselves. To help lead, members elected an executive board at their **first** meeting. The executive board made decisions and presided over matters. "They do the work and run it. They are organized and responsible. Every young person in this group has enthusiasm. There is no other group or organization that I could be more proud of," said Mrs. Iris Scott, sponsor of the National Honor Society. **To conclude the year** and thank those who made a difference, N.H.S. members hosted a teachers' appreciation day. "As seniors we wanted to do something special for the teachers. We gave each teacher an apple with a note to say we appreciated them," said senior Shelby Sleep. spread by Stephanie Strack

**S**enior Dan Kuster speaks to the incoming N.H.S. members at the recognition ceremony. Kuster served as president. "Being president was a lot of work, but the whole executive staff worked well together," said Kuster. *photo by Kate Vocolka*



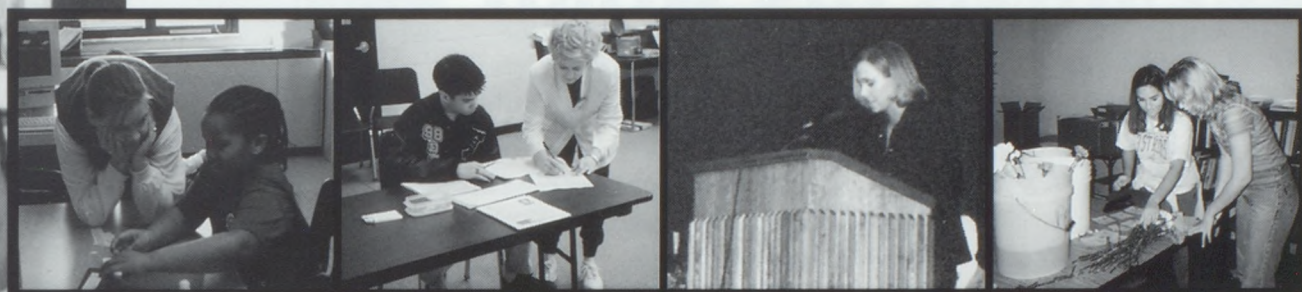


**H**elping a second grader, senior Missy Knowles tutors at the elementary after school. Peer helping was one of the eight projects N.H.S. did. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

**A** Blood Center nurse shows senior Derek Kim how to fill out the blood donor forms. **Forty-two** students applied to give blood and **32** actually gave. *photo by Matt Ring*

**S**haring about service, senior Amy Martens speaks at the recognition ceremony. Martens served as vice president of history. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

**S**enior Leah Anderson sorts carnations. Students purchased the flowers from N.H.S. members during homecoming week. *photo by Stephanie Strack*



**T**o represent leadership, senior Shauna Sleep lights a candle during the recognition ceremony. Sleep served on the executive board as secretary. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

## WHAT SERVICE PROJECT DID YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

**H**anding a carnation to Mrs. Joyce Rash, senior Kendra McBurney passes out flowers on Valentine's Day. *photo by Stephanie Strack*



Kelli Kramer, 12  
*"My service project group went to the elementary schools. I went to a class every other week and helped kids with their math, other work and I read to them. It felt good to know I helped other people."*



Jon Martin, 12  
*"We had a hat and glove drive at the school. We gave them to families that couldn't afford them during the coldest part of the winter. The service projects let us do stuff for the community and not just our school."*

**In Baltimore it's illegal to throw bales of hay from a second story window in city limits.**

**Go figure!**

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GREETING  
SEPARATING  
STOCKING UP  
SIGNING IN

# SPREADING HIS WORD

**At the start of the year**, F.C.A. leaders met together and found new ways to bring the group closer, including introducing "game night" and an F.C.A. fund. **Many students helped to bring in money** to benefit others by selling leftover F.C.A. T-shirts from previous years. "We made a fund for people who want to go to (religious) camps but don't have enough money to go, so we help pay for it," said senior Millie Smith. **For this reason, the group had money** saved up to provide support for a student who wished to attend a camp. Senior Tammy Walz, who previously attended one in St. Paul, Minnesota, shared the importance of going. "It is spiritually renewing to see so many other people believing the same things that you do," said Walz. **Students were also introduced to "game night"** where they met together in the new gym to play indoor sports like basketball, volleyball or kickball. "We had been having a lot of serious discussions and thought it might be good to have a fun night where the students could just relax and enjoy themselves," said sophomore Sarah Coleman. **As more students experienced the meetings** and activities, they crowded into living rooms and kitchens to discuss life-related issues. "It's a great feeling when you leave the meetings having a greater understanding of your faith," said sophomore Jason Iwig. spread by Matt Ring

**A**pplauding sophomore speaker Erin Samson, senior Brad Sewell shows his appreciation. Speakers appeared at many meetings to share their experiences with others. photo by Michelle Norton





Looking up from the radio, senior Derek Kim pauses before programming the CD. Music was played to welcome students into the houses. *photo by Michelle Norton*

Taking a color, junior Kirsten Frederick checks sophomore Angela Jennings with a marker. Colors helped split students into small groups. *photo by Matt Ring*

Sticking some food into a baggie, junior Kyle Campbell saves some brownies for later. Food was provided during meetings for snacking. *photo by Matt Ring*

Down on one knee, senior Jared Clark writes his name on a piece of paper. Before going home, students picked someone's name out of a basket to pray for. *photo by Matt Ring*



Sophomore Cody Lowman and freshman John Lewton read their Bible verses. For Easter, students received eggs with verses inside to remind them what Easter was really about. *photo by Matt Ring*

## WHAT DO YOU REMEMBER MOST ABOUT F.C.A.?

Swaying from side to side, sophomores Marcus Iwig, Matt Skeens and Ted Christakos sing the FCA theme song before leaving for the night. *photo by Matt Ring*

Putting on his shoes, senior Andy Vis gets ready to leave. Students removed their shoes before entering to show respect. *photo by Matt Ring*



*Anne Waller, 10*  
*"For one of the meetings, we met at the Peitzman's house. Our group was so into the discussion of the end of the world that by the time everyone else was downstairs ready to close, we were still only halfway into our discussion."*



*Eileen Leslie, 10*  
*"In December, our F.C.A. group met with three other groups from different schools in our auditorium. We sang songs and listened to professional speakers come talk about real-life issues and act out skits for us. It was a lot of fun."*

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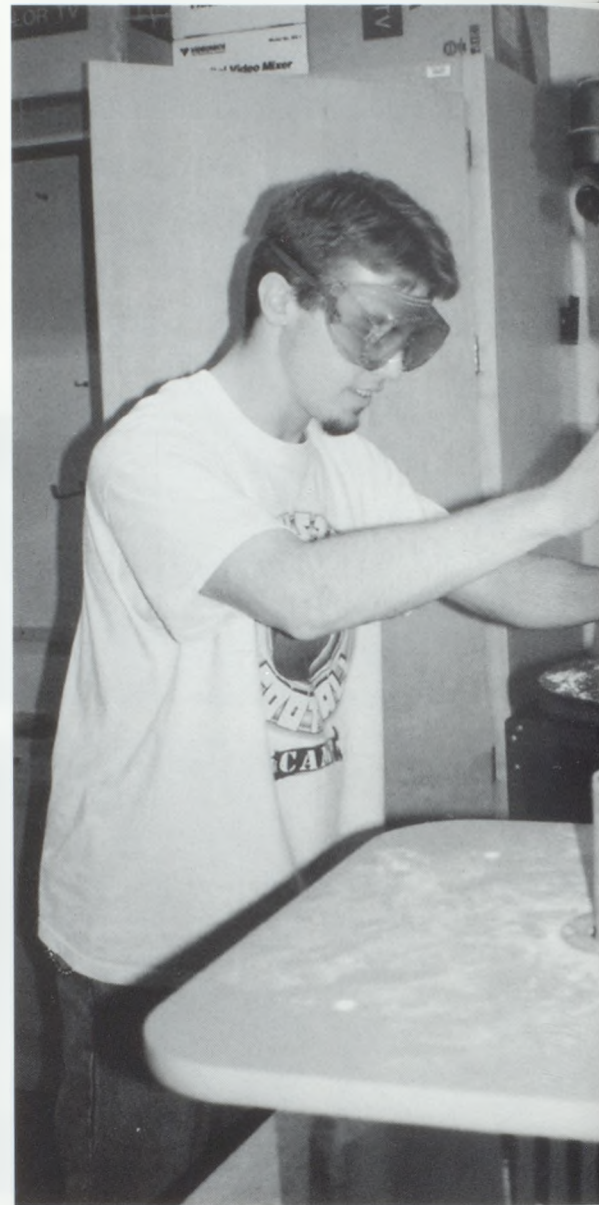


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# TECHNOLOGY

**One thing that was always** changing was technology, and Technology Student Association helped students learn about technology. The members competed in **three** competitions at Perry, Winterset and Johnston to get ready for state. **Preparation for their events** was a part of the process. Students involved in T.S.A. worked during open shop at the middle school and after school. "I work everyday after school. I'm working on a down sized Architectual Model for state. You have to design a model of a retirement home. It has to be **two** feet by **two** feet, and **one** inch equals **seven** feet," said freshman Nick Dell. **State was held at the** Adventureland Inn in Altoona. Several conference rooms of the hotel were occupied by T.S.A. members from around the state. Some of the events included Aerospace Technology, Safety Illustration Poster, Problem Solving and Extemporaneous Speech. "For Aerospace, you build gliders out of Balsa wood beforehand," said sophomore Jesse Robertson," and then you fly them at the competition. The longer it stays up in the air, the better." **The TSA chapter** was voted one of the top **three** in the state by their judges at state competition. "It was a very good season," said advisor Ron Trobaugh. "We had **seven** top **three** finishes at state. Nick Dell, Ian Bradt (freshmen) and Rod Serbus (junior) will be going on to nationals because they all finished high in their events." *spread by Emily Miller*

**C**oloring in his bubble letters, junior Troy Trobaugh designs his Safety Illustration poster. These posters were made to show safety methods in the 21st century. *photo by Emily Miller*



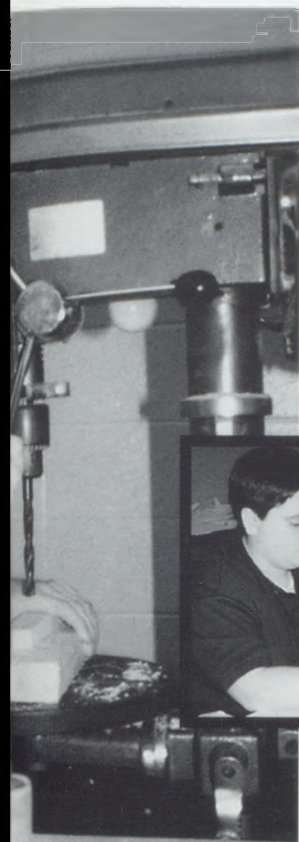
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**C**ounting how many pieces of wood he has, freshman Steve Benn builds a bridge. The amount of weight it held tested its quality. *photo by Emily Miller*

**E**nsuring his safety, freshman Ian Bradt lowers the plastic cover over the milling machine. This machine was used to make CO<sub>2</sub> cars. *photo by Emily Miller*

**W**atching his video, freshman Nick Dell edits his clip. Dell competed in the Architectural Model and Manufacturing Prototype events. *photo by Emily Miller*

**F**ast-forwarding to the correct place, freshman Carl Limyao views his promotional video. Limyao presented his final product at state. *photo by Emily Miller*



**P**ositioning their wind-powered vehicle, sophomores Joe Bass and Jeremy VanOort make use of their trial run. The participants in this event, Problem Solving, were given certain materials and told to make a vehicle that would be powered by a fan. *photo by Emily Miller*

**U**sing the drill press, junior Rod Serbus begins his CO<sub>2</sub> car. Serbus competed in the Safety Illustration and the Aerospace Glider events. *photo by Emily Miller*

**A**s he takes advantage of open shop time, junior John Heth paints his CO<sub>2</sub> car. Open shop was held on Saturdays between 1:00 and 4:00. *photo by Emily Miller*

## WHY ARE YOU INVOLVED IS T.S.A.?



*Kris Campbell, 9*  
*"To learn more about what technology will be used in the future and everything that is going to happen because I want to be an engineer. I also want to do the best that I can in my events at state competition."*



*Joe Bass, 10*  
*"I want to go to state and place, maybe even go to nationals. I like building stuff a lot. I also want to be a construction worker when I grow up. Everyone thinks it's for geeks, but it's really pretty fun."*

The average MTV viewer tunes in for 16 minutes at a time.

**Go figure!**



*DONATING TIME*  
*PRACTICING*  
*DISCUSSING IDEAS*  
*REINFORCING*

# ACTS OF AWARENESS

Throughout the year, S.A.D.D. and Safety Kids learned to teach their peers as well as elementary students about the effects of drugs and alcohol and personal safety. **Safety Kids consisted of four groups** that performed **two skits**. **One** skit focused on saying no to drugs and alcohol, while the other taught children to use the buddy system and not talk to strangers. **Before they could set examples** for others, they each spent time learning the necessary information to teach their young audience. Sophomore Genevieve Ramsay, a member of Safety Kids, said, "We had to practice a lot before a performance. We had to memorize our lines for our skit, coordinate the choreography and learn the words to the songs." **Instead of performing**, the members of S.A.D.D. found other ways to alert students of the dangers of drugs and alcohol. During Drug Awareness Week S.A.D.D. members wore red ribbons all week long, gave out twizzlers at lunch, tied red ribbons on car antennas in the parking lot and participated in Dead for a Day. Senior Kendra McBurney said, "We wore red ribbons that week to show we were drug and alcohol free." **In the end**, both groups learned to sacrifice their time to teach others important life lessons. Safety Kids member junior Jenna Matkins said, "I was glad I could give up some of my free time to teach kids about the pressures they may face in the future." spread by Amelia Groetsch

Putting her trust into juniors Sarah Meston and Katie Barnett, junior Cassie Christensen falls backward into their arms during practice. Groups practiced their choreography, lines and songs for the skits the day before a performance. *photo by Amelia G.*





**F**inishing her donut hole, senior Gina Porto celebrates Christmas with other S.A.D.D. members by buying and wrapping gifts for a needy family. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

**A**s he performs the hand jive during a Safety Kids practice, junior Kyle Campbell rehearses the choreography for his skit. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

**T**alking about their upcoming performance for Safety Kids, seniors Josh House and Missy Knowles decide what props they will need to bring. *photo by Amelia G.*

**S**ophomore Jacque Timmons studies her script and memorizes her lines before her Safety Kids performance which focused on personal safety. *photo by Amelia*



**P**racticing the choreography for "Sometimes You Just Gotta Yell and Scream," juniors Kim Bjornson and Megan O'Banion mouth the words. Bjornson and O'Banion's Safety Kids group performed **four** times. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

## WHAT'S THE BEST PART OF S.A.D.D. OR SAFETY KIDS?



*Ellen Dane, 11*

*"I liked adopting a family at Christmas (for S.A.D.D.) and giving them things they didn't have. I also liked educating others, especially the kids. I was glad we could help them learn by passing down what we know to another generation."*



*Aaron Atkinson, 11*

*"The best part of being involved in Safety Kids was being able to spend time with my friends (seniors Ed McAtee and Wes Nyberg and juniors Katie Barnett and Sarah Meston) who were in my group and also do something good for my community."*

**S**meared with white makeup on her face, sophomore Andrea Jess prepares to live the day as a person killed in a drunk driving accident. Jess also wore a red ribbon that week. *photo by Amelia G.*

**T**ying a red ribbon around the antenna of a car, junior Sara Harper reminds a fellow student to be drug and alcohol free. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

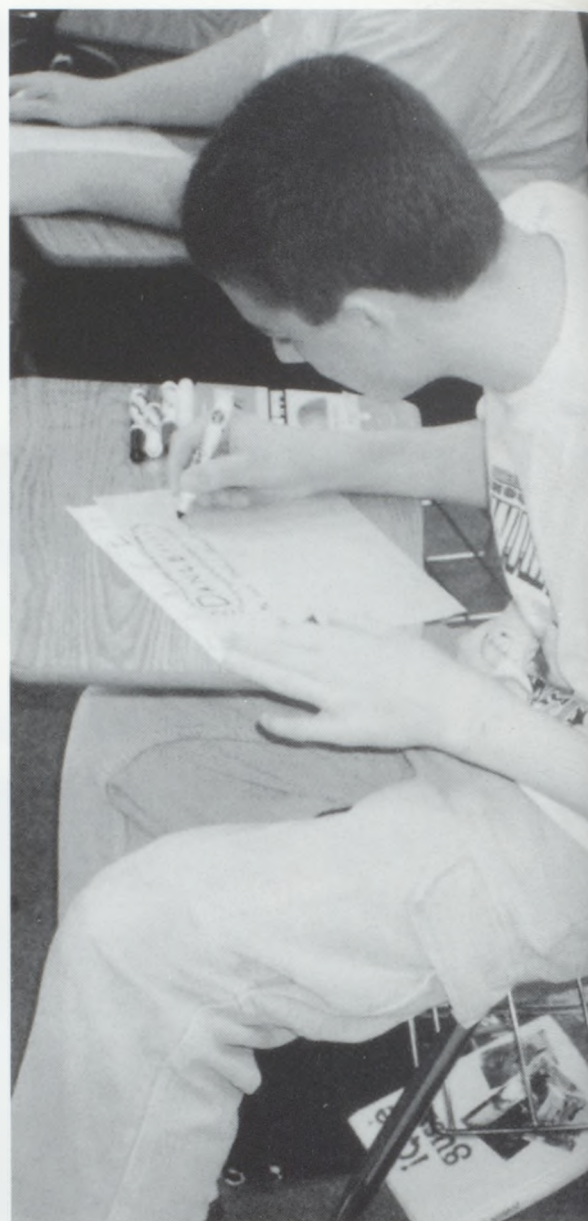


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# REDEFINING STRATEGY

**While the routine and structure** of Student Council changed, their representation of the school carried on. **Due to the increase** in the size of the student body, Student Council added a **fourth** officer for each class. "We thought it would help represent each class' opinion more accurately," said sophomore representative Grant Patterson. This brought the Council to 19 members. **In order to raise the money** for school activities, Student Council had many fund-raisers, including dances. They also raised money for programs outside the school. During Christmas members took part in Adopt-A-Family to raise money for needy families. "We wanted to collect enough money to give these families a happy Christmas so we took a jug around, looking for donations," said senior representative Tyler Jacobsen. Student Council adjusted their approach by confronting students with the program's purpose. **Because this was** Dr. James Casey's last year as principal, members volunteered to help find a replacement. "Having students on the selection committee helped because the students are the ones taking orders from them(applicants)," said senior Sharon Ehm, student body president. **Even with all the changes,** Student Council was able to meet the needs of the school. "We got a lot accomplished this year and made a lot more money for scholarships and memorials." said freshman representative Haley Wheeler. spread by Matt Ring

**D**emonstrating how to play "The Bat-Spin Race" during Rock-Around-the-Clock, senior representative Erin Russom explains the rules. Participants had to run around a bat 10 times then hustle around a cone and back to their team.  
*photo by Kelli Brown*





**T**rying to recall what was said, junior Pam Thomas writes down the minutes of the meeting. Thomas was secretary for the student body. *photo by Matt Ring*

**U**sing her walkie-talkie, sophomore representative Ashley Bengard radios in for the next Rock Around The Clock team to be allowed onto the field. *photo by Matt Ring*

**S**enior representative Derek Kim tries to sell tickets for the city-wide dance to freshmen Jayme Whitaker, Julie Robertson and Jean Romanella. *photo by Ring*

**P**ushing a box of food into his car, sophomore representative Ben Flannery fills his trunk. Members took donated food to the Door of Faith mission. *photo by Matt Ring*



**M**aking sure she knows what to do, junior representative Sarah Martin reads over her job instructions for the Blood Drive while freshman representative Jacob Bottoms follows along. Martin and Bottoms helped serve food and drinks. *photo by Ben Flannery*

## WHAT PART DID YOU PLAY IN FINDING A NEW PRINCIPAL?

**S**ophomore representative Adam Graaf creates a poster for the city-wide dance. The dance was held at the Val Air Ballroom on April 25. *photo by Matt Ring*

**R**eady to throw a piece of candy, freshman representative Sarah Kiester picks her target. Kiester rode with the freshman float in the Homecoming parade. *photo by Amelia G*



*Sharon Ehm, 12*  
*"The adults were basically looked for credentials, but we looked for how well the candidates communicated with the students. You can teach them how to run an office, but you can't teach them people skills."*



*Amanda Touch, 9*  
*"My interview group met the night before and came up with questions that we would ask the candidates. During the interviews, we each asked a number of questions and then wrote down what we thought of each person's answer."*

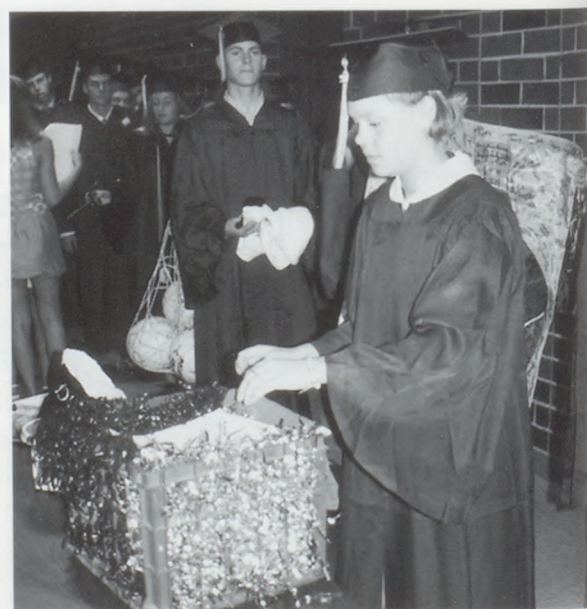


*PILING IT ON  
ACCEPTING HONORS  
PAST MEMORIES  
RECEIVING AWARDS*

# Runts & Responsibility

**Continuing the nine-**year tradition, Mrs. Joyce Rash gathered **eight** students to take on the responsibilities which came with the junior/senior board. To become part of this group, whose tasks were to organize the Senior Breakfast and Class Day, the students had to write essays which were then read by the past members of the staff and board. **Meeting every other Sunday**, the group's highlight awaited in a Looney-Tune tin filled with runts, which Mrs. Rash had provided throughout the years. Senior Jodi Peitzman said, "Every meeting we have a bucket of runts, and the banana ones are always left. So we put them in all of the envelopes we send to the speakers, but Mrs. Rash didn't think it was appropriate. Then she taped them to the back of our folders and the rest we sent with the invitations to last years junior/senior board members." **After taking charge of Senior Breakfast**, the board's main assignment was Class Day which was completely their responsibility. It took a lot of effort and planning to make the day go smoothly and become a success. "Getting ready for Class Day was really involved. We had to call people to get them to speak and give out awards. Then we had to get the script right and make the right changes at the last minute," said junior Katie Barnett. Nonetheless all the hard work and long hours wound down in success for Rash's **ninth** and final Senior Breakfast and Class Day. spread by Brody Wells

**S**enior Tim Hart-schen eats his meal at the Senior Breakfast. The annual event was held at the Hyperion Field Club and catered by the Hyperion staff.  
*photo by Brody Wells*



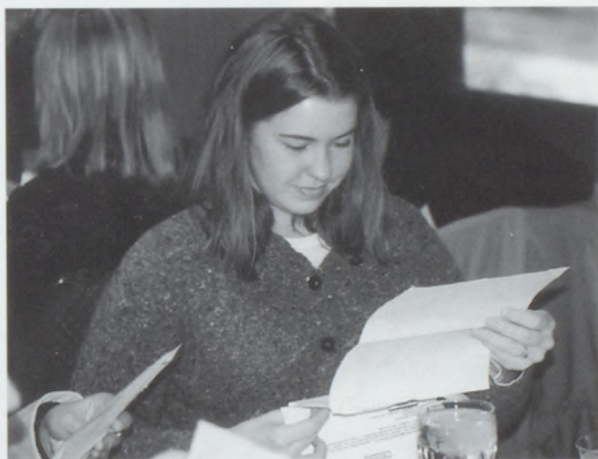
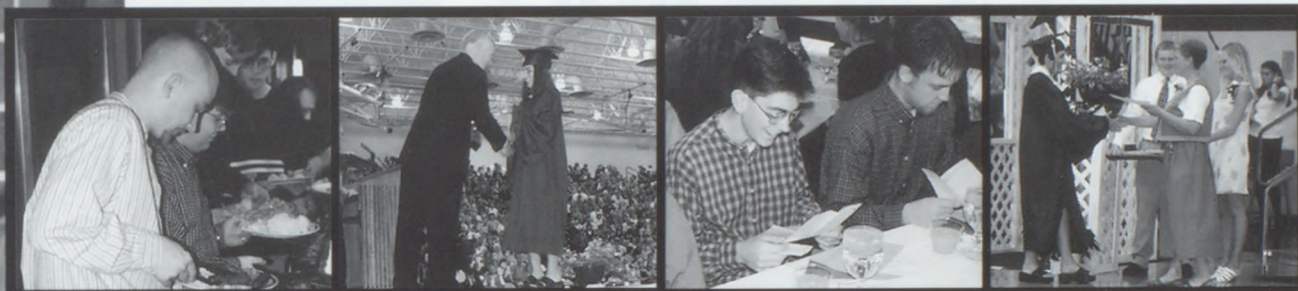


**D**uring the Senior Breakfast, senior Jerod Hockensmith fills his plate full of food. The all-you-can-eat-buffet held on Wednesday, February 11 cost \$10. *photo by N. Frank*

**A**t Class Day, senior Maria Brown receives the Departmental Award for Math from Dr. James Casey. "I was really surprised to get the award," said Brown. *photo by Jen White*

**S**eniors Shawn Stetson and PJ Holmertz read their time capsules during the Senior Breakfast. The events included breakfast, a slide show and the time capsules. *photo by B. Wells*

**R**eceiving her scholarship from Dollars for Scholars at Class Day, senior Tiffany Buban is congratulated by Virginia Bryant. The scholarship was worth \$300. *photo by Michelle Norton*



**S**enior Angela Schaad reads over her time capsule during the Senior Breakfast. The time capsules were handed out to the students who attended eighth grade at Johnston Middle School. *photo by Brody Wells*

**W**aiting in the hall, senior Christina Hon prepares to present her momentos during class day. Hon took out a flag for the ROTC class. *photo by Brody Wells*

**B**efore walking out, senior Missy Knowles adds the finishing touches to her momentos. Knowles represented Safety Kids with a decorated milk crate. *photo by Brody Wells*

## WHAT DID YOU THINK ABOUT CLASS DAY?



*Kelly Sloan, 12*

*"I thought that Class Day was really long, but it was really cool to see everyone receive their awards and scholarships. So many people in our class won awards, and I feel that our class has accomplished a lot."*



*Shelby Sleep, 12*

*"I thought the whole thing was fun, neat and exciting. At the same time it was sad leaving high school and having to start over and begin a new life. But when it was over I had to go get ready for my open house."*

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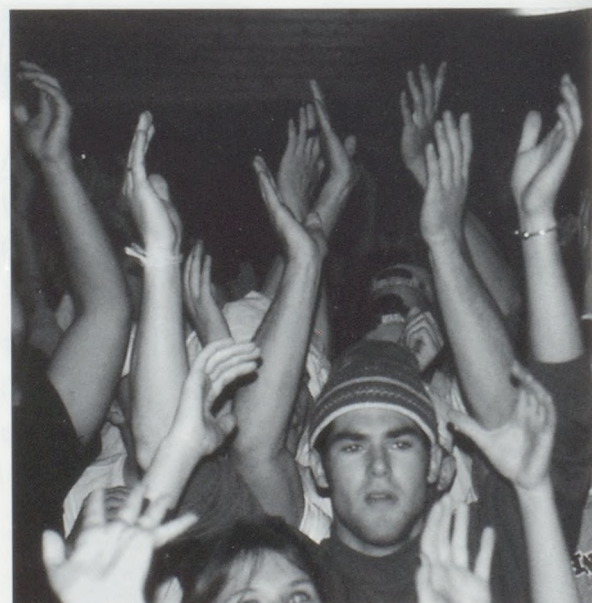
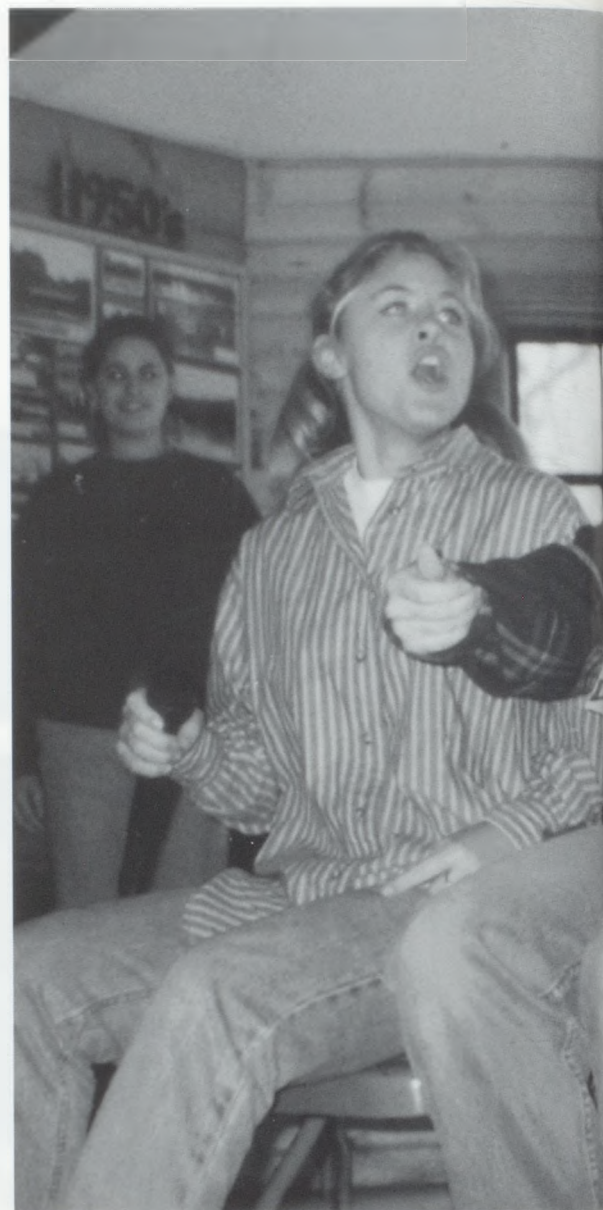
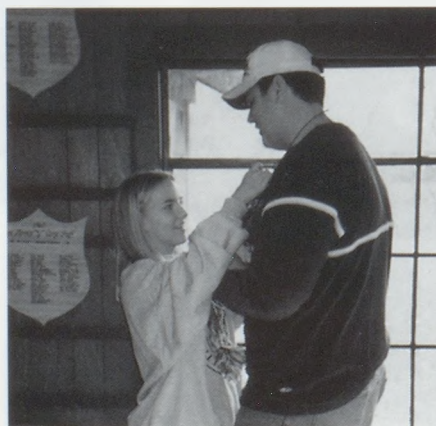


SETTING UP  
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# PLAYING A NEW ROLE

**With so many pressures** at school, sometimes students just needed to get away for awhile. At the S.A.I.L. Leadership Retreat, students did just that. "I used the weekend for a break from school and to relax," said sophomore Jeff Robertson. **Even though the weekend** was a time for unwinding, for some it meant getting a chance to meet new and different people in their small groups. "I thought that because I was with a lot of people, I came back from the weekend a better person in that I could get along with a variety of people," said sophomore Clint Meek. **One part of the retreat** was the different skits put on by small groups. "My favorite skit was the **one** led by seniors Eric Peterson, Dave Gray and Derek Kim," said junior Tyelene Cervetti. "All the guys stuffed their running tights so they would look well-endowed, and then proceeded to do a Richard Simmons- type workout." **A big part** of the weekend was the candlelighting ceremony. Junior Tyler Tompkins said, "It was funny when Ryan Helps (junior) got up and started talking about how he was proud of his fellow cross-country runners because they could run and he was 'Sure Walk-a-lot'." **While some came back** with nothing but a weekend's rest, junior Nate Smock came back with a goal. "My goal after the retreat was to make the friendships that I created last after the camp had ended," said Smock. *spread by Edward McAtee*

**E**xchanging warm fuzzies, seniors Heather Rains and Chuck Terhune give each other a compliment. Leadership participants gave warm fuzzies as a way to boost fellow students' confidence. *photo by Bennie Boy Flannery*





**L**ining the cups up just right, senior Millie Smith sets the table for dinner. Senior leaders were required to set tables for one meal. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**T**rying to find a four-leaf clover, senior Margo McCravy and junior Rachel Bryant search for the next clue in their scavenger hunt. *photo by Benjamin Flannery*

**D**emonstrating how to do the running man, senior Jessica Leindecker shows some of her buddies a couple of dance moves during a break. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**S**ophomore Amie Bobst boards the bus for the trip home. Unlike the ride up, students were not required to show a boarding pass. *photo by Kelli Brown*



**B**eing hoisted into the air, sophomore Joe Townsend crowd-surfs at the dance. The dance served as a forum for unwinding and grinding. *photo by Benjamin Flannery*

**I**nsulting her make-believe sister in a skit, junior Amy Palmer tells junior Marie Bunce how to drive. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**M**oving with the rhythm of the music, senior Dave Gray throws his hands in the air. Tunes at the dance were played by senior Derek Kim. *photo by Ben Flannery*

## WHAT WAS THE MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT AT THE RETREAT?



*Stacie Schroeder, 10*

*"I remember the candle-lighting ceremony. Lots of people got up and expressed their feelings. The whole thing was really emotional and some of the people who stood up were friends that were in a fight and they used this time to make up."*



*Sarah Straw, 9*

*"One night in our cabin, Lynne Caldwell, freshman, 'honked' the school fight song. We all laughed so hard that we cried. After that, we stayed up and talked well into the night."*

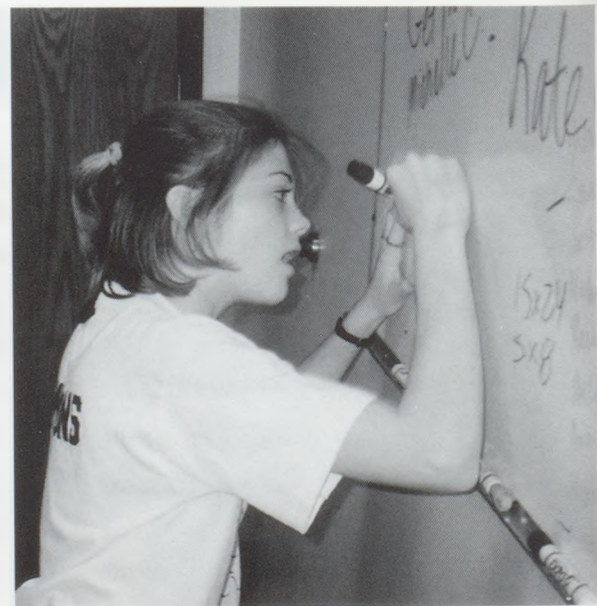


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# Tackling Controversy

**Without a doubt, the talent** and braveness of the newspaper staff was challenged to extremes incomparable to past staff experiences. Successfully dodging critical opinions from the students and public, the staff proved they could deal with the real life criticism faced by journalists. **Sophomore Courtney Howard**, who wrote one of the most controversial articles relating to wrestlers and weight loss, described her opinion on the feedback. "I think it's good that our newspaper has started to venture out into controversial topics instead of writing a lot of fluff stories." **Sophomore Jacob Reichling** said, "Whenever you write a controversial story, you make people think for themselves and in the process you learn a lot about yourself, the real world and how people are doing." Although the criticism caused the staff much stress, it proved to help them experience the true, **three dimensional** feelings of professionals in their area. **Controversy existed inside** the classroom as well as outside. "I was fortunate enough to have my own sports column this year. Since I'm going to be a sports journalist, this, along with the stress and controversy that came with it, helped me to experience the real life problems I may encounter in the future," said senior Andy Verlengia. Although some staff members felt that the class added unnecessary stress, others felt that it gave them a great insight to the real world of journalism. spread by Nicole Frank

Carefully writing down every word, freshman Girija Mahajan interviews a student in order to get a good quote for the paper. Staff members interacted with many students, teachers and the public in order to support their stories. photo by Nicole Frank



A Saudi Arabian woman can get a divorce if her husband doesn't give her coffee.

**Go figure!**

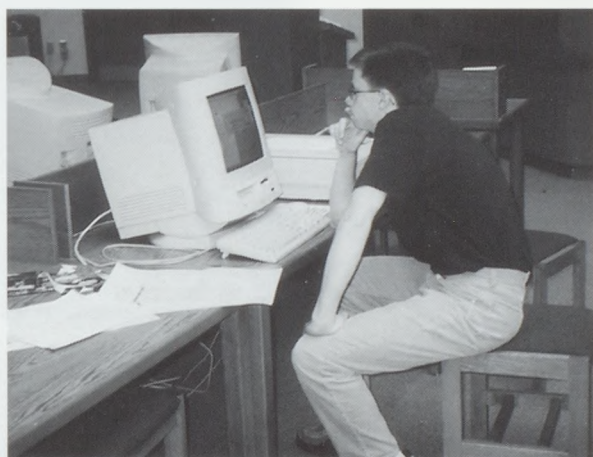
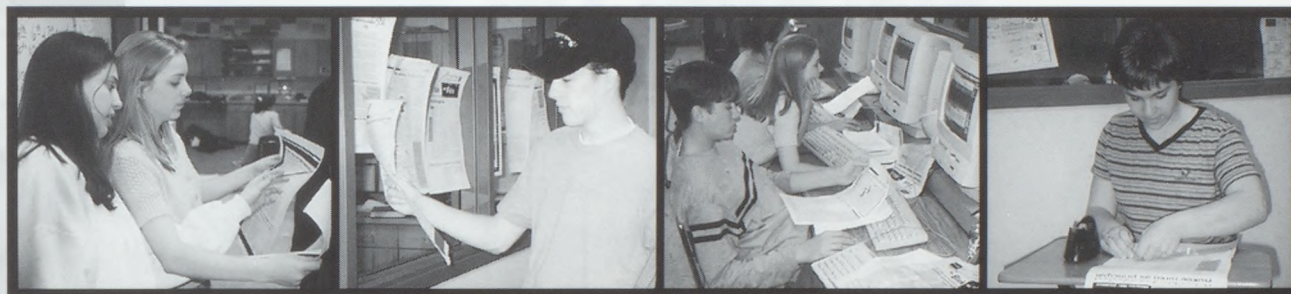


**L**ooking over sophomore Genevieve Ramsay, senior editor Kim Kohles corrects a layout. "Revising papers paid off in the end," said Kohles. *photo by K. Brown*

**S**ophomore Spencer Wise checks his story for corrections. A current copy of each page was taped to the lab window so everyone could see its progress. *photo by Nicole*

**R**elaxing at the computer, sophomore Miles Kirkpatrick productively uses his class time in order to type corrections into his article. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**S**ophomore Lena Rydberg tapes her pages together during a printer crisis. Because the staff ran out of 11x17 paper, smaller paper had to be taped together. *photo by Nicole*



**W**aiting patiently, photo editor senior Nathan Benn waits for his picture to scan. "The title of photo editor is ultimately what I wanted," said Benn. *photo by Brody Wells*

**S**enior editor Kelli Brown fixes the printer during a deadline. Brown worked 15 hours a week on the newspaper. *Photo by Nicole*

**A**lthough the whiteboard helped the staff communicate, sophomore Jacque Timmons admitted, "I scribble my frustrations when it's after midnight and I want to go home." *photo by Nicole Frank*

## WHAT WAS THE HARDEST PART OF BEING ON THE STAFF?



*Megan Webster, 9*

*"As a freshman, I found it really hard to talk to people that I didn't know and get an interview from them. As the year went on, I overcame my fears and I didn't find it as hard."*



*Angela Jennings, 10*

*"The hardest part for the staff was trying to find interesting topics that we hadn't already covered. Each of us was responsible for getting input from people and brainstorming ideas outside of class as part of our grade."*

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## Slacking Off

**With 15 women, five men and one advisor.**

the yearbook staff tried to plan ahead for summer to fix problems from last year. "We started early, but we cancelled almost every meeting we set," said sophomore Megan Stetson. "I started the year frustrated and didn't know what to expect."

**Part of the reason for the laziness** was because of Team P. Even though they lost **one** founding father, they gained **three** lads who met the challenge. "Wes Nyberg and Ed McAtee (seniors) did a great job teaching the new members of Team P to slack off and work at the same time," said senior Kate Vocelka. **Although goofing around was a skill** Team P had, it became a problem later with the girls as well. Sophomore Melissa Miller said, "I noticed as the year went on more people weren't getting their pages done. Hostility erupted between the slackers and the workers." **Jokes and pranks soon escalated** until one went too far. "I was working when Ed McAtee (senior) and Michelle Norton (junior) started a Gak fight. Michelle threw it at Ed, and then he threw it back and it got in her hair. I helped her pull the Gak out strand by strand while she cussed Ed out," said senior Kelli Brown. **Despite the procrastinating** the staff pulled together to try and repeat their **first** place Best of Show finish at the National Scholastic Press Association contest in Seattle for the 1997 yearbook. Go Figure! spread by WEB FLACBERG

**L**ooking up ideas for her page, junior Nicole Frank browses through *The Ins and Outs*. Many yearbookies used last year's award winning book for reference in order not to repeat a story theme. *photo by Ben Flannery*



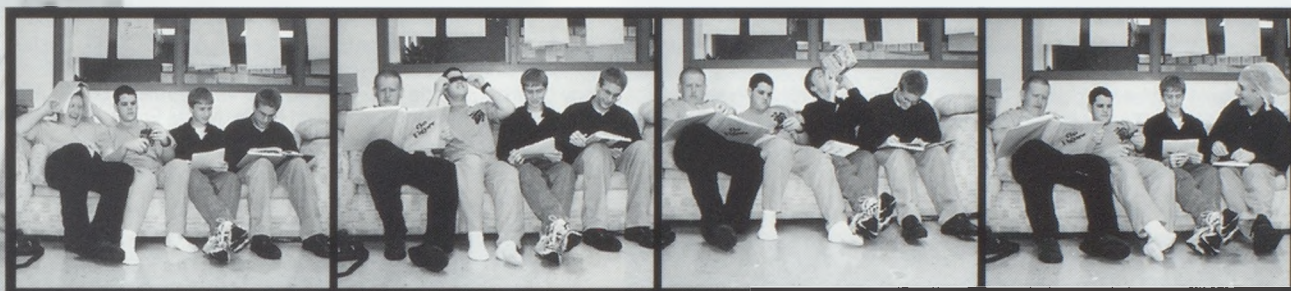


**P**utting on his hat, senior Ed McAtee gets ready for a tornado drill. "I thought that the yearbook bible would stop the debris from hitting my head," said McAtee. *photo by Jen Goode*

**E**ntering in his own world, sophomore Ben Flannery puts on his space visor. "To see all the strange things in Bennyland, I need to wear my goggles," said Flannery. *photo by Jen Goode*

**S**toring up for hibernation, junior Brody Wells devours a box of crackers. "I needed to be sure I had enough insulation for the Iowa winter," said Wells. *photo by Jen Goode*

**A**nnoying others, senior Wes Nyberg risks his life by putting a bag over his head. "I thought class would be exciting if it was life threatening," said Nyberg. *photo by Jen Goode*



**M**easuring the dimensions of her photo, junior Jen White crops a picture to fit on her division page. "I felt like I was being a jerk because I had to practically twist peoples' arms to get photos for my division pages," said White. *photo by Jenmanji Goode*

## What do you like best about Team P?



*Anne Sciorrotta, 12*

*"I absolutely love Team P. I think that they are the cutest guys in the world, except for my dad and my brother of course, and Harrison Ford...and Matt Damon...and you know I can't forget Rick Barney and Paul the yearbook god."*



*Jen Goode, 12*

*"Team P is the best thing that has happened to the staff since Paul. I love snuggling with Ed McAtee (senior) and getting backrubs from Ben Flannery (sophomore). They help me stay relaxed so I can get D-O-N-E, done."*

**S**enior Jen Goode and adviser Leslie Shipp laugh at a picture of senior Wes Nyberg while studying the Innovation page. *photo by Benjamin*

**P**retending to break into the mini-bar in her Seattle hotel room, junior Michelle Norton tries to begin the celebration for the yearbook's first place finish at the N.S.P.A. convention. *photo by Jen Goode*

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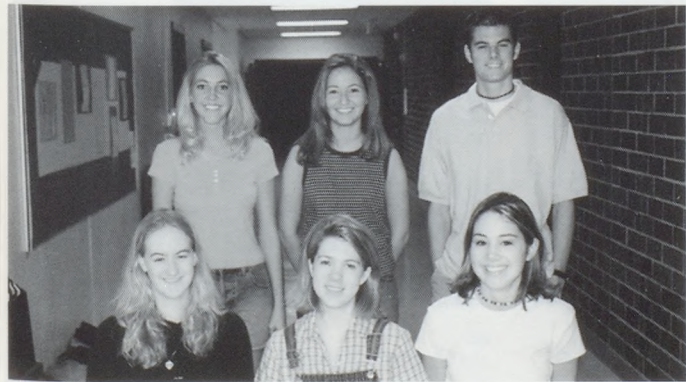
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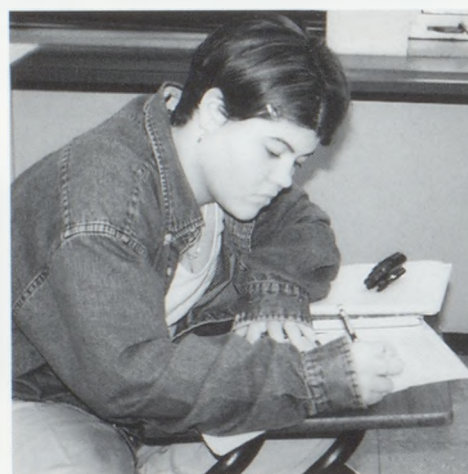
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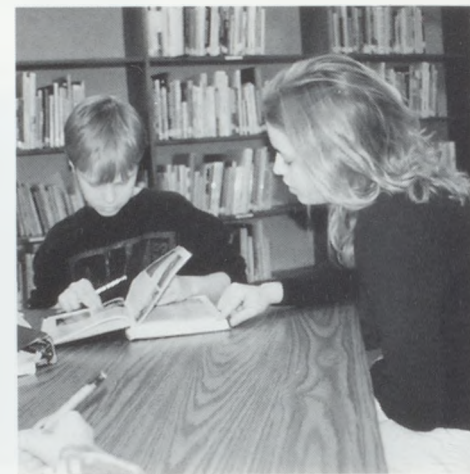
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# The People Division



**T**op- Sophomore Mike McLaughlin trumpets during a basketball game. *photo by Alycia Comer*

**M**id- Sophomore Jessica Ogren takes a driving test in class. *photo by E. Miller*

**B**ottom- Freshman Chris Hansen and Coach Frank Baltzley watch a Carlisle meet. *photo by Alycia Comer*

**T**op-Sophomores Alysha Orris and Chelsey Larson help Sara Gaston in adaptive gym. *photo by Kelli Brown*

**B**ottom- Freshman Chris Evans loads a paintball gun. *photo by Jen Goode*

**T**op- Senior Kelli Dennis reads the "just married" message on her car. *photo by Tammy Jo Walz*

**M**id- Junior Sarah Morris helps fifth grader David Pendras on a report. *photo by Kate Vocelka*

**B**ottom-Juniors Andy Westcott and Zach Parsons recycle for Mr. Keith Lippincott's chemistry class. *photo by Jenny White*



# Be yourself and smile pretty

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- 6** - Songs performed by the pep band during halftime
- 14** - Classes of drivers' ed.
- 301** - Number of wins Baltzley has had as wrestling coach
- 2 or 3** - Times a week adaptive P.E. met
- 10** - Recycling extra credit points in Lippincott's chemistry class
- 4** - Diamonds on senior Kelli Dennis' ring from her boyfriend
- 9** - Different grades helped by peer helpers
- \$9** - Cost of a **hundred** paintballs



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# Take <sup>THE</sup> challenge

How good of a friend are you?

1. You and your friend have a fight. You...
  - a. forget about it the next day.
  - b. apologize at the same time.
  - c. find a new friend.
2. The nicest thing you've ever done for your friend is similiar to...
  - a. doing nothing, they're lucky to have you as a friend.
  - b. complementing their shirt.
  - c. volunteering to watch their brother so they could go out.
3. When your friends have a problem they...
  - a. tell everyone but you.
  - b. don't talk to you until you ask.
  - c. come to you A.S.A.P.
4. How many close friends do you have?
  - a. ten
  - b. three
  - c. one
5. What do you call your friends?
  - a. By their own nickname.
  - b. "Hey pal!"
  - c. "Oh yeah, I know you."

## Check your answers

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| 1 a. 2 b. 1 c. 3 | 4 a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 |
| 2 a. 3 b. 2 c. 1 | 5 a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 |
| 3 a. 3 b. 2 c. 1 |                  |

### What it means:

5-7 You are a great friend.

8-11 Don't take advantage of your pals.

12-15 Learn the meaning of friend.

Steve Roth, Tim Hartchen, Sarah Batchelder, Jason Brehmer and Jackie Allison sing together during a kindergarten performance. photo by Janis Brehmer



Leaving their prints in

Allyson Murillo, Kate Vocolka, Heidi Kiester, Dana Shultz, Lisa Stradely and Erin Flynn gather together in third grade. photo by Andee Vocolka



# The Sandbox

Kim Kohles senior	"In first grade we were in a circle. Joe Hockett got in the middle and someone pulled down his pants."	Dan Thompson senior	"In kindergarten I threw a box in Adam Baldwin's face just to see what would happen."
Ben Molayal senior	"In first grade we would make castles out of cardboard boxes and have guards and attackers for them."	Krista Larson senior	"Heather Rains, Felisha Montero and I were bridesmaids for Carolyn Merrill and Paul Hodge."
Tonya Pierce senior	"In first grade Shane Smith would always try to talk to me and chase me around at recess."	John Thoren senior	"On the first day of school, everybody picked on me because I sat in the desk of a kid who had kooties."

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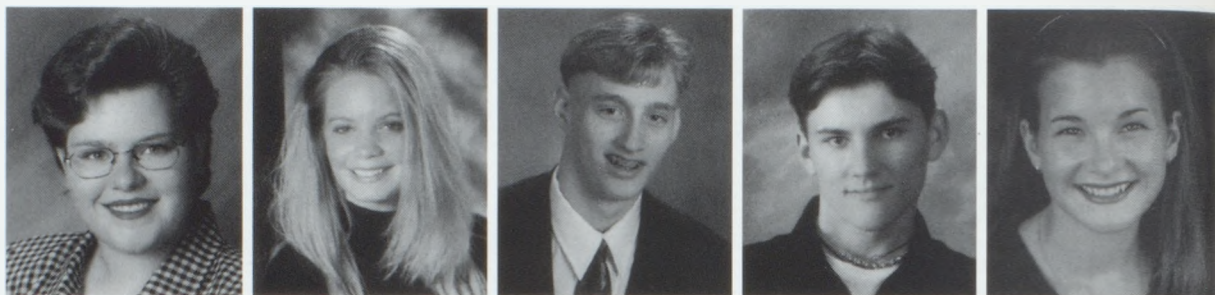
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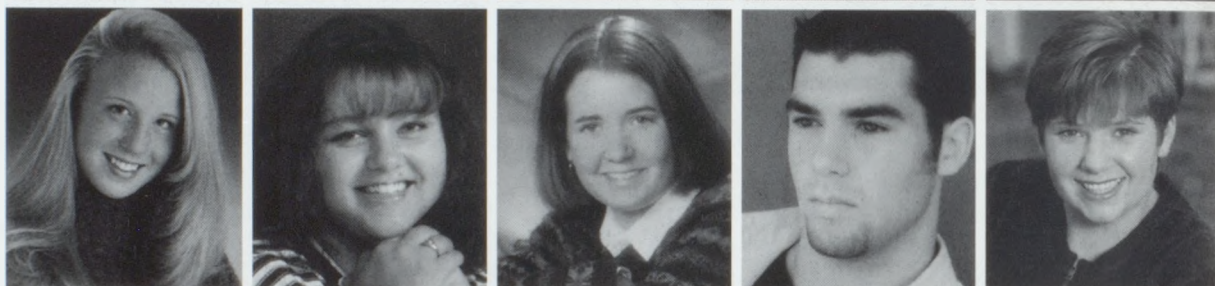
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# Take THE challenge

Are you worthy enough to give advice?

- Someone asks how they look. You...
  - lie and say good.
  - tell the truth.
  - avoid the question.
- Your friend asks advice about something you don't know about. You...
  - say I don't know too much about that subject.
  - compliment his/her shirt.
  - make something up.
- Your best friend asks you to keep a secret. You...
  - tell someone else and hope he/she keeps the secret.
  - tell everybody you see.
  - keep the promise.
- You find out that your friend is cheating on his/her significant other. You...
  - tell the significant other.
  - don't say anything.
  - ask someone for advice.

## Check your answers

- 1 a. 1 b. 3 c. 2      3 a. 2 b. 1 c. 3  
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### What it means:

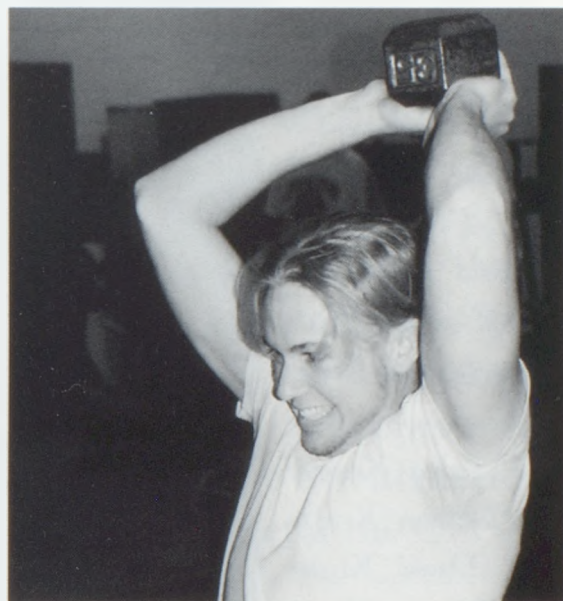
- 0-4: Don't give advice to your friend.  
 5-9 Be careful when you give advice.  
 10-12 Open up a hot-line for advice.

Juniors Ryan Helps and Eric Scheuchl react to a call at the boys' district basketball game. Mr. Gary Ross, A.D., asked for good sportsmanship at activities. photo by Kelli Brown



Giving and receiving

Working his triceps, senior Jon Swanepoel finishes one more rep. Utilizing the weight room was advised by coaches. photo by M. Norton



# Solid Advice

Tim Hartschen senior	"My advice to others would be to do it right the first time because it is really hard to go back and do it again."	Tony Dunsky senior	"I've always followed the advice to not let people control my life by getting under my skin and bugging me."
Amy Marten senior	"I always go to a close friend for advice because he/she knows me and can help me decide what to do."	Felisha Montero senior	"I would tell people to keep working harder as the years go by because it doesn't get any easier."
Gina Porto senior	"I help my friends with advice when they have relationship problems and when they don't eat chicken patties."	Nathan Benn senior	"The most worthless advice I received was at the ACT workshop. I didn't use any of the techniques they said."

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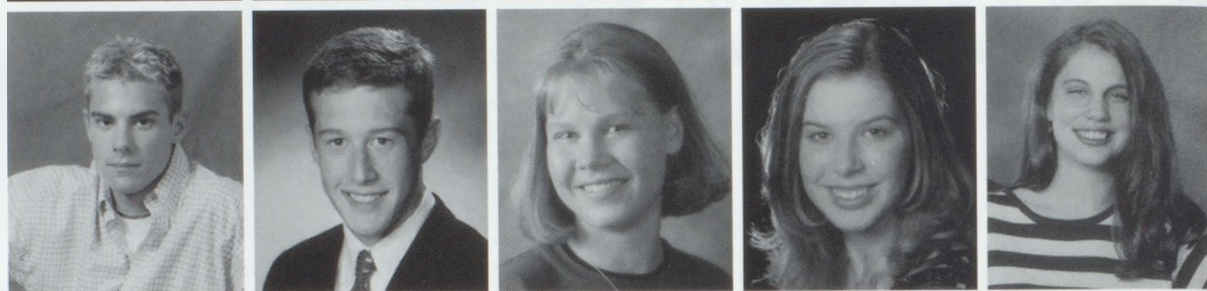
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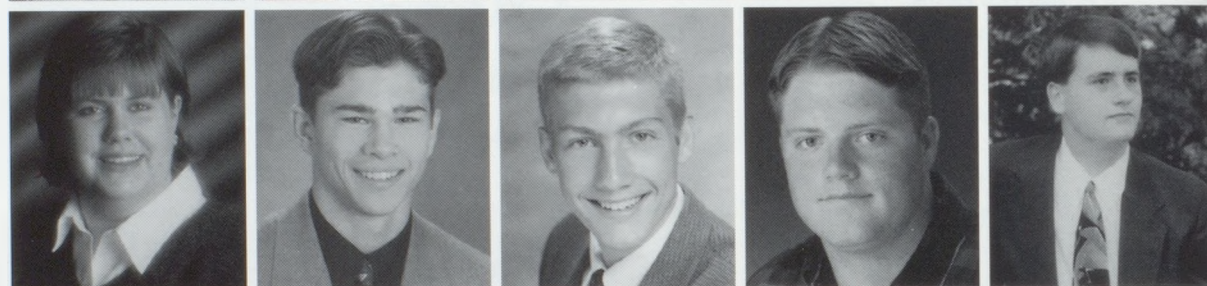
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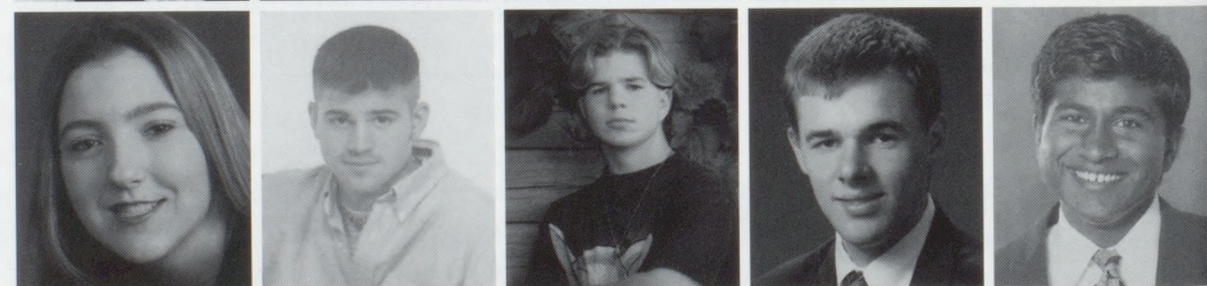
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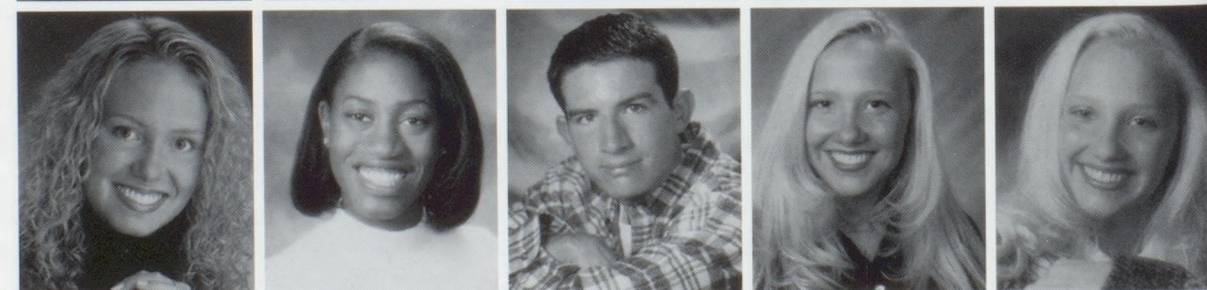
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**M**eeting Mr. McFeely from *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*, senior Jeff May shakes his hand at the Iowa State Fair. *photo by Sheree May*



**S**enior Erin Russom shows her excitement as she finds a magma lamp after unwrapping her present. Russom's friends threw her a surprise party for her 17th birthday. *photo by Kelli Brown*

Seniors  
share  
memorable

# Experiences

As the seniors began to see their last year come to an end, they reminisced about the past **four** years. They thought about their good and bad memories.

"My freshman year I didn't have a date for winter formal, so (senior) Kim Kohles and I went stag," said senior Kendra McBurney. "She convinced the cameraman to get ('95 graduates) Chris Danner, Matt Sundblad, Blake Cruikshank and Aaron Vis to serenade me. They sang 'You've Lost that Lovin' Feeling' to me on their knees. After a while Mr. (Marty) Harswick joined in. I just stood there in the middle not knowing exactly what to do. When they were done singing Kim got them to dance with us."

Not all memories were as embarrassing; some signified **first**-time events. "The summer before my senior year I went to Dot Fest with (graduate) Todd Bass and I body-surfed for the **first** time," said senior Damian Ingersoll. "We also saw a lot of people we knew. I'll never forget that day."

## Just the Facts The Class of '98 ...

- had 227 students when they were freshmen and 197 when they graduated
- was the last class not to have block scheduling
- was the **first** in more than 25 years to graduate after Memorial Day weekend
- was the last class to participate in athletics before joining the CIML

spread by Kate Vocolka



*Carolyn Merrill,  
senior*

*"In my first play ever, I was an extra, so all I had to do was exit quietly. On my way out, part of the set got stuck on my sleeve. I ended up pulling half the set down. I've been in every play since, so it wasn't all bad."*

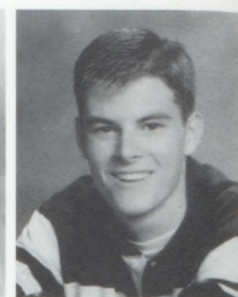
*"(Senior) Ryan Hulsebus and I always have contests sliding down the ramps in the hall on our stomachs."*  
Micah Sturdevant,  
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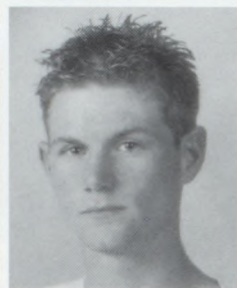
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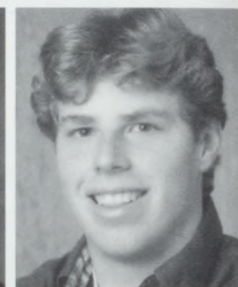
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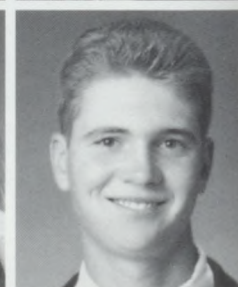
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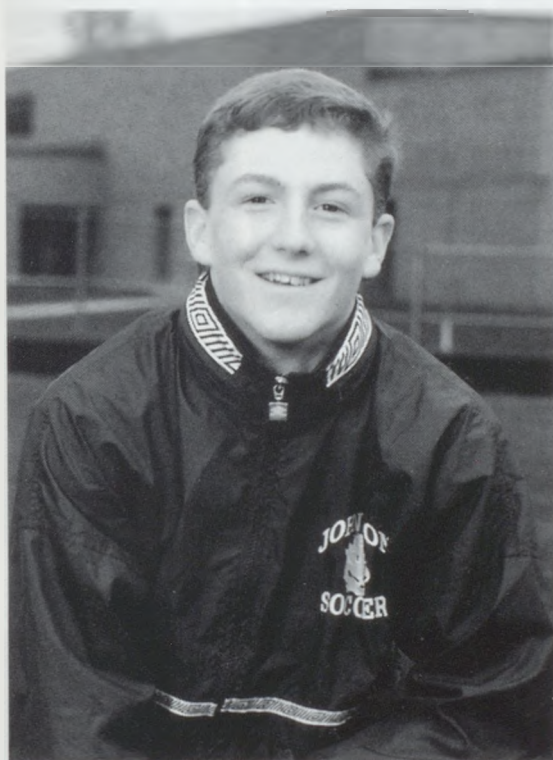




**F**ollowing Luis Marquez's ('97) graduation, seniors Bill Knapp, Chad Baker and Chad Pembroke congratulate him. *photo by Pam Barnes*



**G**inning, Chad Pembroke poses for his freshman soccer picture. Pembroke was selected as the Player's Player in '96. *photo by Mullica Studios*



## Reflections on the life of

# Chad Pembroke

Chad Edward Pembroke was born on July 27, 1980, on his great-grandmother's 90th birthday and was buried on his 17th birthday. When his great-grandmother died at age 101, Chad said, "Well mom, at least she got her nickels worth." Maybe Chad didn't, but what he gave to others was priceless.

"Chad had a heart of gold," said Pam Barnes, Chad's mother. In memory of their love for Chad, ten people vowed to wear a gold band. At Pembroke's funeral, senior Chad Baker placed a similar gold band on Pembroke.

"Chad was the funniest kid I knew and the best friend I've ever had," said senior Bill Knapp. Pembroke was described at his funeral as glue that held his friends together and the one who could always cheer anyone up.

Pembroke once wrote about how he could benefit others, "I realized you can make somebody happy with the littlest things. The next time I could do anything little for somebody, I would." In life, Chad helped others. In death, he continued, by donating his corneas so someone else could see.

## Just the Facts Chad . . .

- sang country music
- played soccer, football, baseball and wrestled
- loved girls
- was determined to be a Florida Gator with his brother, Todd ('96)
- had a G.P.A. of 3.96 and three academic letters
- excelled at the Spanish Quiz Bowl



### Chad Baker, senior

*"One of Chad's defining characteristics was his trust. No matter how big or small the issue, I knew I could go to him for advice. He would give it to me as he saw it, and the conversation would go no further."*

*Chad Pembroke died at 10:30 p.m. on July 23, 1997, in a car accident in Florida. He was the passenger in the car and was killed instantly from the impact.*



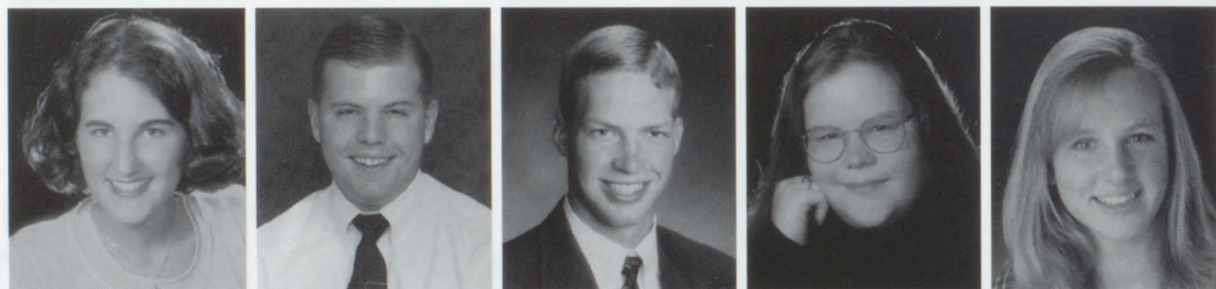
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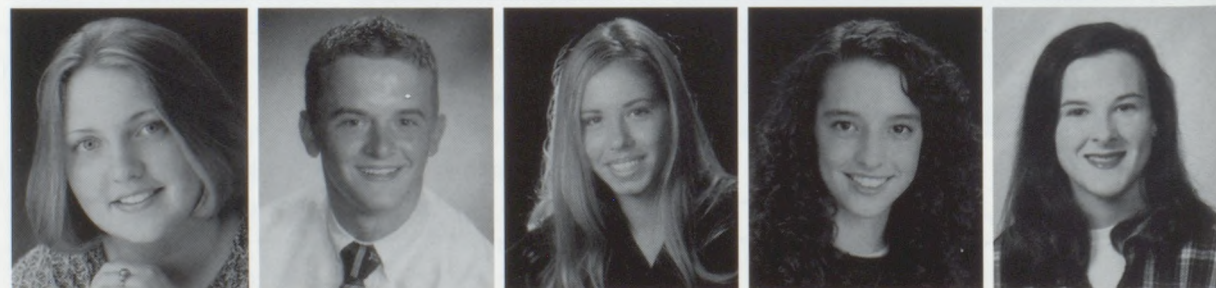
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What group do you fit into?

- When you get dressed, the **first** thing you grab is:
  - your brand-new American Eagle sweater
  - a pair of Nike AirMax shoes
  - a pair of worn out army pants
  - your shiny, black leopard pants
- You would be most likely to be caught saying:
  - "Oh no! I got a B+!"
  - "Uh, where's the weight room?"
  - "Hey! Let's go for coffee!"
  - "That is so posh!"
- Your favorite accessory is:
  - the diamond ring that daddy gave you
  - your **first** place swimming medal
  - a dog collar and chains
  - body glitter and a bright boa
- After school, you are usually:
  - at home doing chem labs
  - running endless miles through the school halls
  - at Starry Night drinking a mocha squared
  - shopping at the mall

## Check your answers

Mostly A's: You're a prep    Mostly C's: You're an alti  
Mostly B's: You're a jock    Mostly D's: You're trendy

**C**arefully examining the label, Derek Kim takes time out to drink a Frappuccino. *photo by Nicole Frank*



Following the many trends of

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**B**earing the pain, senior Sarah Batchelder gets her tongue pierced at Expo while senior Jessica Leindecker looks on in amusement. *photo by Erin Flynn*



**SHOES**  
Dr. Marten's  
Platforms  
Vans

**HANGOUTS**  
Friends' Houses  
Chat Rooms  
Energy

**DRINK**  
Frappuccino  
Surge  
Gatorade Frost

**EATERY**  
Stella's  
B-Bops  
Perkins

**MUSIC**  
Alternative  
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**ACCESSORY**  
Body Glitter  
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Scarves

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In Carmel, NY, a man can't go outside while wearing a jacket and pants that don't match.

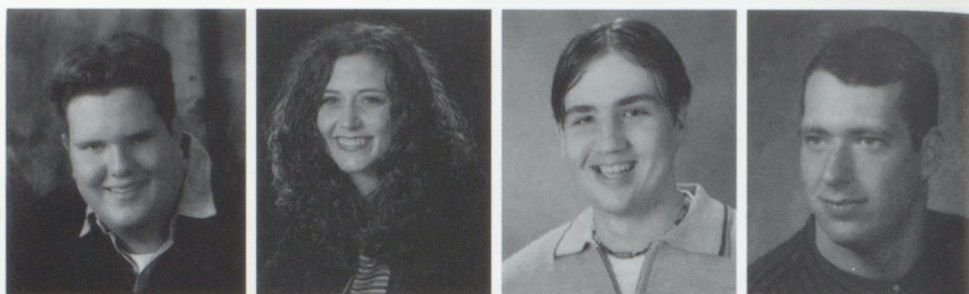
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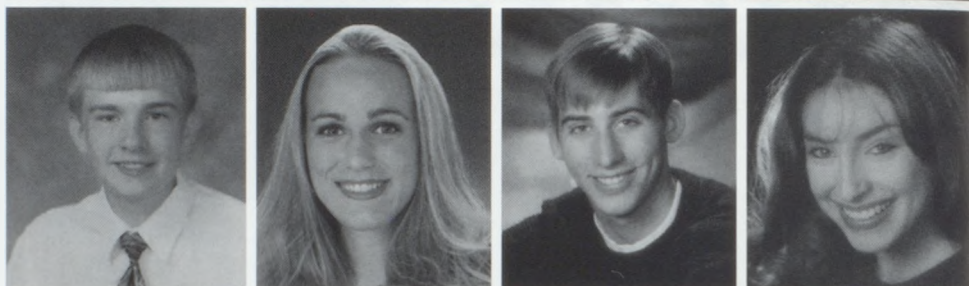
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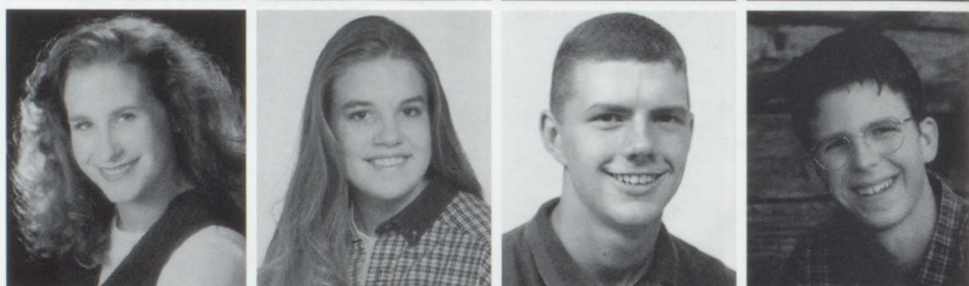
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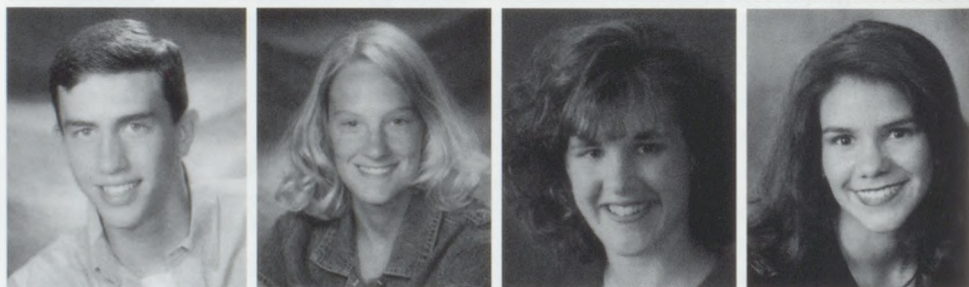
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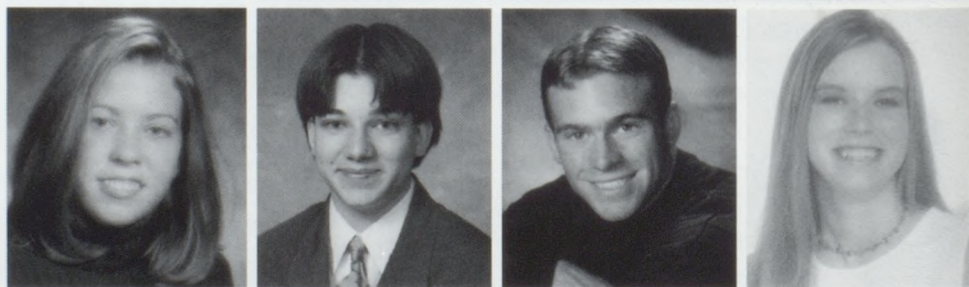
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# Take <sup>THE</sup> challenge

Do you have money to throw around?

- On your list of priorities, the price of college is...
  - first.
  - second.
  - last.
- For your senior trip, do you go to...
  - Europe.
  - Florida.
  - Lamoni, IA.
- Is your car...
  - envied by others.
  - a "Junker of the Month."
  - neither of the above.
- On average for lunch do you...
  - go home and eat.
  - stay at school for lunch.
  - go out to eat.
- When buying jeans you look for...
  - quality.
  - name brand.
  - price.

## Check your answers

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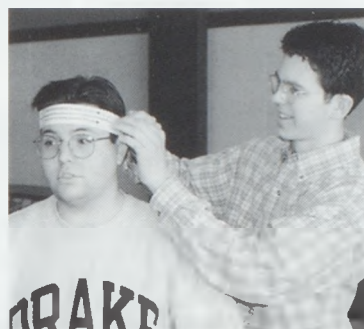
What it means:

5-7: Money isn't everything

8-11: You're middle class

12-15: Share the wealth

Getting his head measured for his cap by senior Andy Verlengia, senior Steve Roth prepares for graduation. *photo by Ben Flannery*



The reasons everyone absolutely

Senior Emile White cashes money at Brenton Bank. White has been saving money since he started working there. *photo by Ben Flannery*



# Needs Money

**FOOD**  
snacks  
eating out  
cappuccino

**CARS**  
gas  
occasional accident  
stereo system

**OPEN HOUSE**  
food  
place  
invitations

**COLLEGE**  
tuition  
room and board  
books

**SENIOR TRIP**  
plane tickets  
hotel  
shopping cash

**FUN**  
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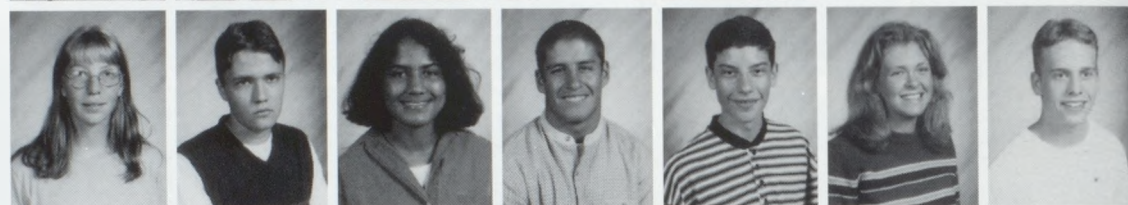
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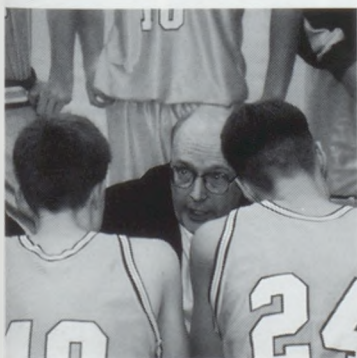




# From the

*Coaches revealed their thoughts  
on the major differences between  
male and female athletes*

# Bench



**C**onversing with the offensive line, Coach Gary Auxier reviews plays and changes that needed to be made. "I love to be in an atmosphere where the athletes need to be physical, and football requires that," said Auxier. *photo by Tammy Jo Walz*

**B**oys' varsity basketball coach Jeff Simpson talks to the team. "Boys have a faster game," said Simpson. *photo by Michelle Norton*

Every coach had to choose which sport he/she wanted to coach, and most importantly, which gender. "I've coached both guys and girls," said Justin Carlson, head girls' basketball coach. "The **two**, overall, are very comparable in the athletic sense. Girls are better listeners, they tend to be more open-minded and they don't act like they know everything at age **12**."

Coach Rick Brooks, head volleyball coach and freshmen girls' basketball, agreed. "I guess I'm hooked on coaching girls because womens' athletics always seem to be the underdog. It presents a challenge to not only compete with their opponents, but also to work to try and gain the notority they deserve."

Others only gave **one** group a chance. "Boys carry their dedication off the court and think about their performance longer than girls," said head baseball coach Jim Mahoney. "Also, I never felt comfortable with the psychological problems of girls and putting them in a team situation. I'm not sure that I'd have the skill to do that."

*photo by Tammy Walz*



Coach Shari Walling,  
girls' and boys' swimming

*"Boys will do anything for food and they are more inner-believers. Girls have more outward emotions. That maybe an ailment for boys, who have more subtle reactions. They'd rather punch the other guy, but they know that's not allowed."*

*spread by Tammy Jo Walz*

**In every episode of Seinfeld, there is a  
Superman somewhere.**

**Go figure!**

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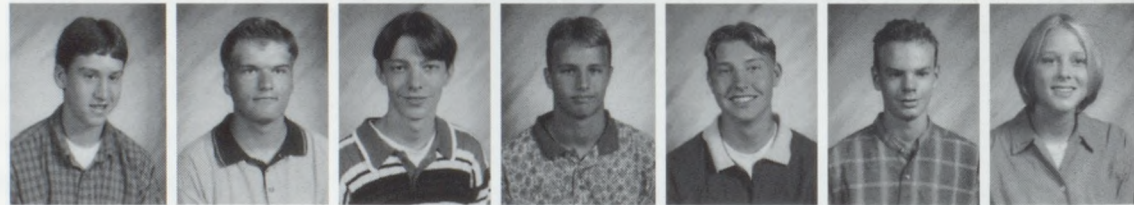
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Emus and kangaroos cannot walk backwards and are on the Australian coat of arms for that reason.

**Go figure!**



# Combat in

# Camouflage

*Students turned to paintball as a thrilling alternative to beat boredom and bond with friends*



"Paintball is a game where you try to defeat your opponent by shooting all of their team members, or by capturing the other team's flag and bringing it back to your base," said freshman Joe Weisz. It soon caught the interest of a small group of students as a new, recreational sport.

Players not only wore camouflage to blend in with their surroundings, but also used the natural terrain of low-lying areas and thick brush. "One time, my brother Mark (Elliot, '94), (senior) Chad Baker and I were hiding in a bunker," said senior Seth Elliot. "(Freshmen) Jon Lewton and Jared Haag walked by and didn't see us, and rapid fire broke out. They started shooting in the bunker, and the next thing I knew, my brother was screaming and his butt was bleeding."

While allowing students to apply quick reflexes and strategic planning, paintball gave them the opportunity to let loose. "I love to play paintball because it's different and competitive, and all you have to do is be handy with the steel," said senior Matt Chatham. "Plus, I get to run around like G.I. Joe and shoot my buddies."



Loading his semi-automatic spider compact gun with hot pink and white paintballs, freshman Jon Lewton prepares for battle. Guns cost anywhere from \$150-\$275, including 2,000 balls, a ball loader and CO<sub>2</sub> tank. Other expenses included a mask, camouflage, extra balls and refilling the CO<sub>2</sub> tank. *photo by Jen Goode*

Freshmen Bart Whipp and Chris Goode patiently wait for their opponents to emerge from the woods. *photo by Jen Goode*

*photo by Nathan Benn*



Andy Willson,  
senior

*"I love the element of surprise in paintball. There's nothing better than standing ten feet away from someone when they don't know you're there, sneaking up on them and then shooting them in the chest so hard that it hurts."*

*spread by Jen Goode*

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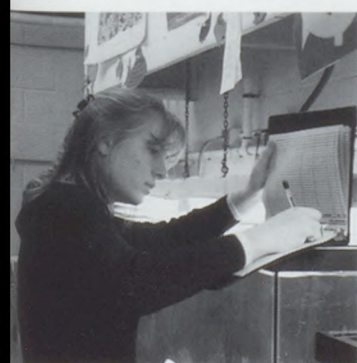
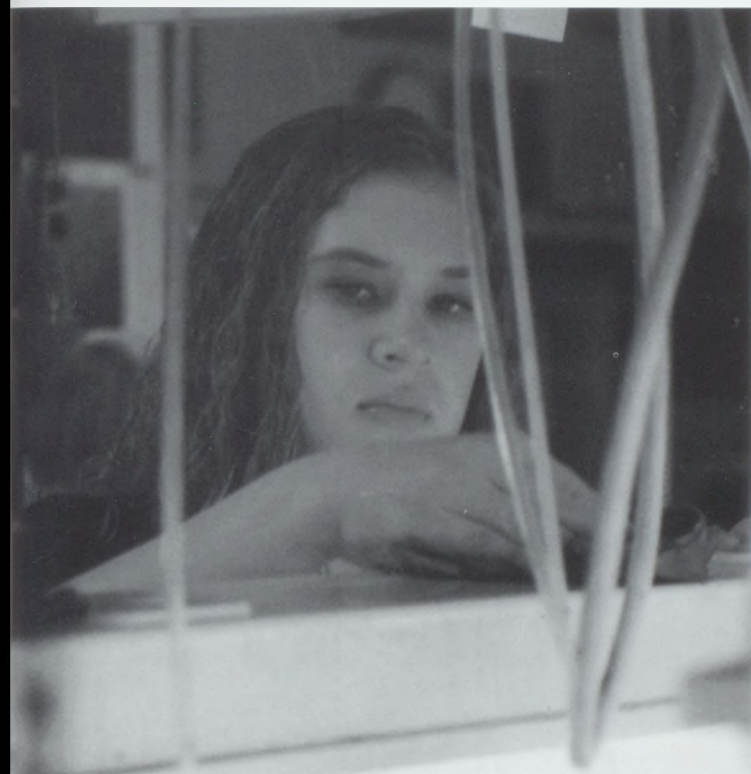




# Driving the

*Students took advantage of free class opportunities at Central and DMACC for college credit*

# Distance



**W**iping up her fish tank after surrounding it with newspaper, junior Jill Palensky makes sure no harmful chemicals get into the water from the rusty wires. "Each person is assigned two tanks, a saltwater and freshwater fish tank. We clean them inside and out, feed our fish and test the water," said Palensky. *photo by Jen Goode*

**S**enior Celeste Six records the pH level of the water from her fish tank in her log book. *photo by Jen Goode*

Students joined others from the Des Moines area at Central and DMACC to take college courses, A.P. classes and vocational classes.

"Central Academy, which has vocational classes, gives students the opportunities to graduate and go straight into the work force," said Mr. Dale Doudna, counselor. He explained that these classes and programs aren't offered here due to the expense of equipment and teachers.

DMACC gave students the opportunity to take college courses while still in high school. "I take classes from DMACC because the school pays for them, and this way I can get high school and college credit for the same class," said junior Nigel Berndt.

Though taking extra classes offered a lot of benefits, it did have disadvantages. It cut into class time and caused scheduling and transportation problems. "It's a pain to have to drive down there. It takes up a period of class, it's hard to find a parking spot and people block you in because there is no supervision," said junior Jeny Oderkirk.

*photo by Jen Goode*



Theresa Timmins,  
senior

*"I take classes from Central because they don't offer classes like Marine Biology here. This class gives me the opportunity to become certified for scuba diving, which I can use for the rest of my life and for the trip we take to Florida."*

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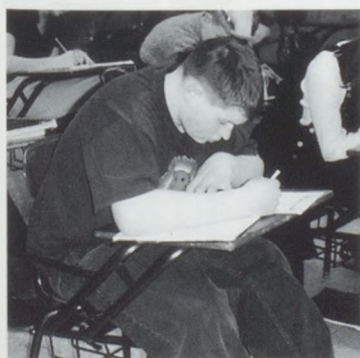
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# Treacherous

*Students learned to navigate the roads and remembered the lessons of drivers' education*

# Driving



**P**ulling out the dipstick, sophomore Meredith Calhoun checks the oil level in the drivers' education car. Students were required to have six hours of driving time to complete drivers' ed. *photo by Emily Miller*

**S**ophomore Eric Shelley concentrates on his drivers' ed. test. Students took an exam about once a week. *photo by Emily Miller*

The first few years of driving gave students a large step toward freedom and a larger chance of being involved in accidents, whether they were on or off the road.

"I was in the parking lot at Merle Hay Mall when I got hit by this guy," said senior Jessica Ligas. "He was pulling out of Kohl's and didn't stop at the stop sign. He ran right into the side of my car, made a dent in it and then denied even hitting me."

The school parking lot was also a place where many accidents happened. "I think that people are so anxious to get out of school that they are in too big of a hurry in the parking lot," said freshman Rene Thoreson.

As students gained more driving experience they tried to remember their drivers' ed. lessons in order to keep their car insurance down and themselves out of the ditch. "We mostly try to create the attitude that when you put on a seat belt you have to be a safe driver," said drivers' education instructor Jim Mahoney. "They have to realize that they could hurt someone else or themselves."

*photo by Emily Miller*



Jared Johnson,  
sophomore

*"I got into an accident in front of Quizno's with Greta Davis ('00) and Shannon McLaughlin ('00). Shannon stopped kind of fast behind Greta. I hit Shannon, knocking her into Greta. Greta's car was fine, but Shannon's and mine had dents."*

*spread by Emily Miller*

**Einstein couldn't speak fluently when he was nine. His parents thought he might be mentally disabled.**

**Go figure!**



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# Contributing Effort

*Students sacrificed their time and energy to help others and educated themselves in the process*



**O**n his church mission in Mexico, senior P.J. Holmertz knocks down the gable to make a flat-top roof. *photo by Michelle Ferguson*

**F**olding a sweatshirt and putting it into a sack, sophomore Anne Peterman prepares for a clothing drive at church. Peterman did a multitude of volunteering at her church and also participated in Habitat for Humanity. She said, "I like to help out other people who can't help themselves." *photo by Michelle Collignon*

Remember that saying, "All work and no play?" This was not always true. Many students volunteered to help out others and had fun at the same time.

Sophomore Andrea Jess convinced some of her friends to volunteer **four** hours of their time. Jess said, "I had a birthday party at the Good Samaritan of Urban Ministries with some of my friends. We raked leaves and had a party with the kids."

For **two** hours a week for **one** semester, sophomore Alysha Orris visited patients at Bishop Drumm. Orris said, "I thought it was a good experience because I got to learn more about that profession (working with the elderly). It also makes them happier and they like having company."

Education was also a part of volunteering for some students. Ms. Joyce Gregory from Mercy Hospital Volunteer Services said, "I feel it is educational and the kids learn the responsibilities of having a job. Some schools require **20** hours of volunteering a year to graduate, and it wouldn't surprise me if all schools did in the future."

*photo by Michelle Collignon*



Kate Sorak,  
sophomore

*"I feed the horses and clean the stables every weekend for **three** hours or so at Victory Stables in Grimes. I love my horse, Major, and going out to the stables gives me another reason to go see him more often. He is a good boy and he doesn't ever bite."*

*spread by Michelle Collignon*

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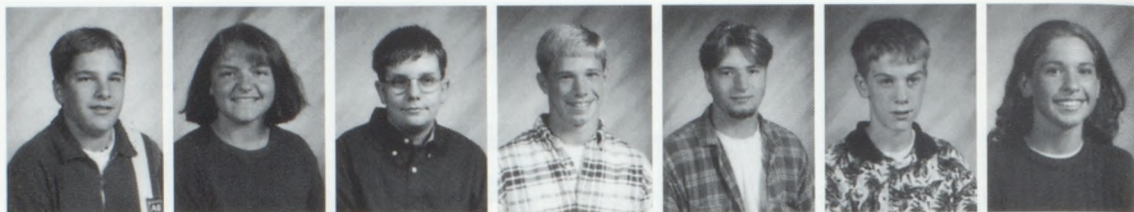
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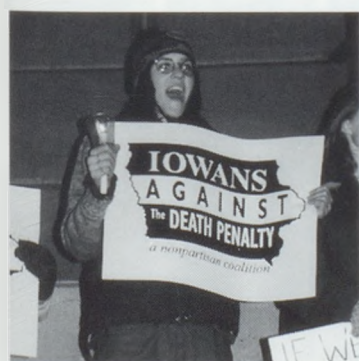
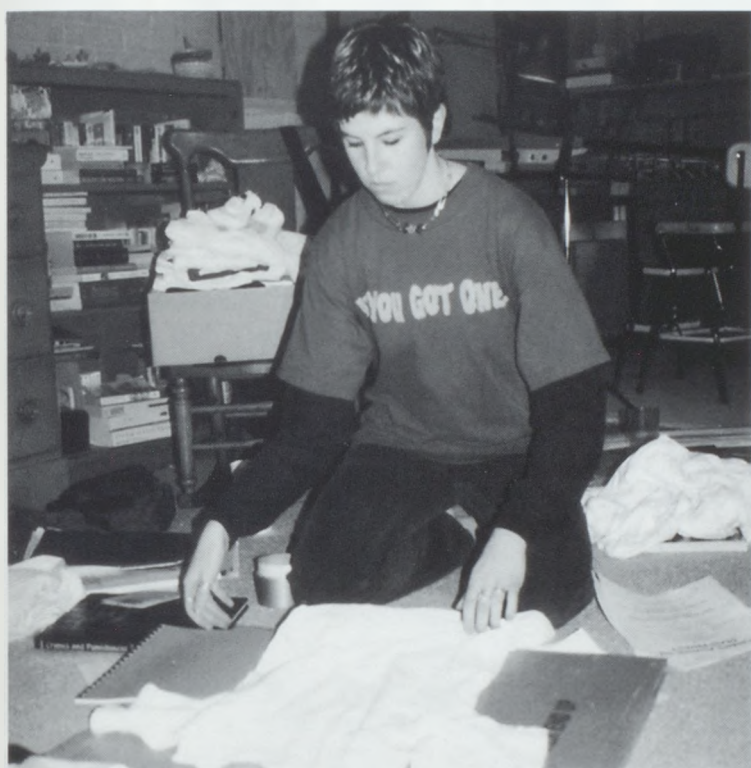
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# Debating Justice

*Social issues sparked controversy within SEAA and promoted awareness for students*



**W**hile protesting the death penalty, freshman Emily Adams cries out at a candlelight vigil held at the Capitol. *photo by Melissa Miller*

**L**aying out her T-shirt, senior Kristin Aschenbrenner gets her materials ready to design it for a rally against the death penalty. After not being allowed to post fliers in the halls by the administration, students created T-shirts to cause awareness and wore them to school. *photo by Melissa Miller*

The main part of the year in Students for Enviromental Action Awareness (S.E.A.A.) was spent protesting social issues in the community.

In the fall, students focused on protecting Engeldinger Marsh. Sophomore Greta Davis said, "We protested because they wanted to build a **four** lane highway over it."

Later in the year, state legislators were faced with the decision of reinstating the death penalty. At a S.E.A.A. meeting junior Emily Slattery brought in a flyer explaining different rallies being held for students who were against capital punishment. Only **one** student was in favor of having the death penalty within the group, so this resulted in another group, Students Against the Death Penalty. These students rallied together trying to gain support from the school and community.

Both groups thought it was important to get the school involved. Junior Heather Lamb said, "Students need to be aware of all the facts and see the other side of the issue before making up their minds."

*photo by Melissa Miller*



Brian Oviatt,  
freshman

*"I think the death penalty is right. If I had to convince somebody who is against it, I would tell them it brings a sense of closure to the victim's family. Otherwise, all the prisoners receive a free education and get fat on taxpayers' money while in jail."*

*spread by Melissa Miller*

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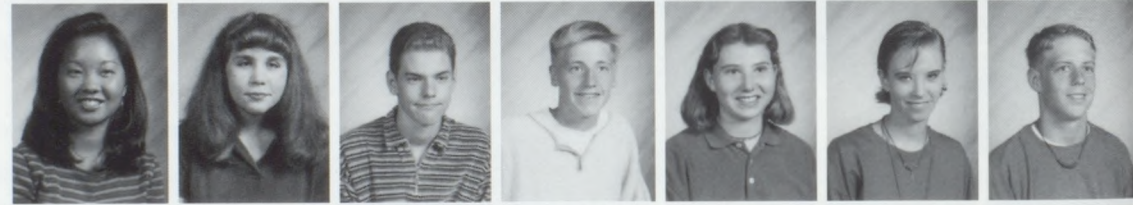
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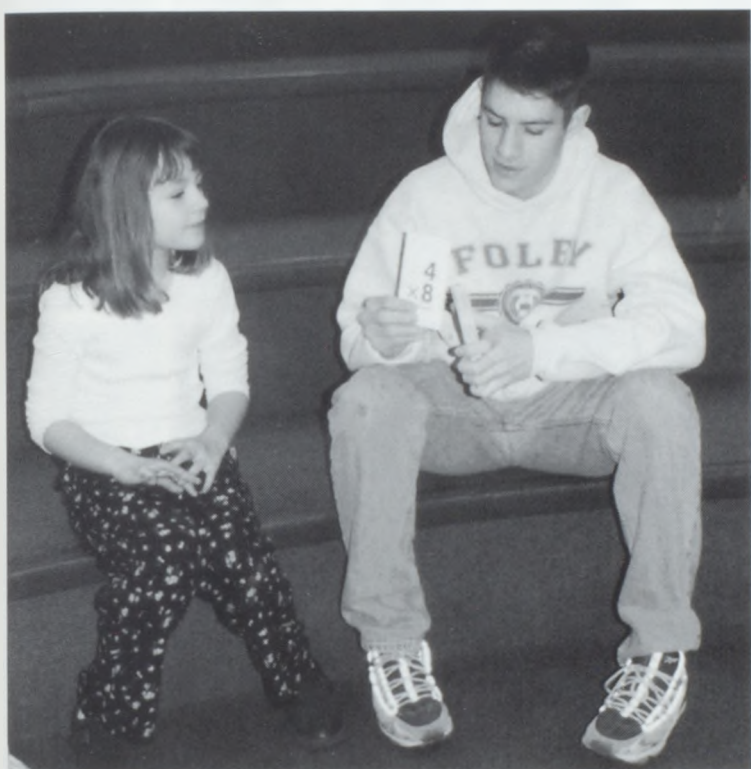




# Reaching

*High school students worked with  
younger kids to create a fun  
learning environment*

# Children



During the day, students became peer helpers. They went to the middle school and elementary schools to tutor and play with kids.

Vicki Cronin, Success Through Alternative Resources (S.T.A.R.) program coordinator, was in charge of getting peer helpers for students. "I took the requests for helpers from teachers and matched the student's schedule with a high school volunteer's schedule," said Cronin.

Sophomore Cody Lowman was a playground helper for a **third** grader at Wallace Elementary. He said, "I got as much out of helping my student as he did. It was a stress reliever to go over there and learn about the kids."

There were other things that peer helpers could do to benefit the schools besides just helping students. "I was a peer helper last year, but this year I did more things that the teacher needed done such as cutting paper," said junior Katie Poston.

Peer helping was a way for students to serve as role models and make a positive impact on the school district.



**K**rista Nelson, a **fourth** grader, learns her multiplication tables with freshman Josten Foley's help in the Dragon's Den at Wallace. "It was fun for me to watch the kids do better on tests after I had helped them," said Foley. *photo by Brody Wells*

**J**unior Megan Lehman assists **fifth** grader Joey Schmidt with his assignment. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

*photo by Kate Vocolka*



Missy Knowles,  
senior

*"I help students with their reading and their math or whatever the teachers need done. It gives me the opportunity to learn to help kids. It is a good feeling to know that I care about the kids and they are excited to see me when I go over."*

*spread by Megan Stetson*

**The Neanderthal's brain was bigger than the  
modern man's brain.**

**Go figure!**



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 Nichole Lloyd, 10  
 Andrea Lockner, 9  
 Cindy Loffler, 11  
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 Mark Lorino, 9  
 Brenton Loss, 11



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 Jenna Matkins, 11  
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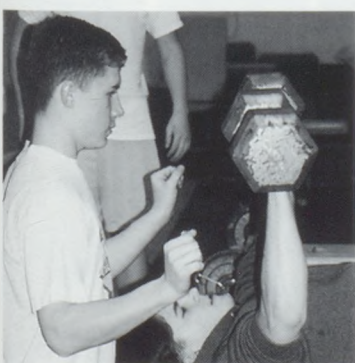
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# Kicking Back

*Students released their school pressures as they relaxed and enjoyed their hobbies*



**S**eparating the hemp to finish making a necklace, freshman Meredith Avaux adds a glass bead to her design. Avaux spent extra time she had during the summer to create necklaces, bracelets and anklets for herself as well as her friends. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*

**A**s senior Luke Czerwinski raises the 100 pound dumbbells, sophomore Jeremy VanOort spots him. *photo by Amelia G.*

As the final bell rang and students began pouring out the doors, thoughts drifted to life outside of school. Such thoughts included hobbies.

From skiing to collecting things, students escaped from their daily pressures when school was finished. Junior Adena Dudney's favorite hobby was reading. "When I read I can escape from reality and relax after a long, hard day," said Dudney.

Other students used their spare time and energy to do physical activities. Junior Luke Hall said, "My friends and I skateboard after school. I like it because it lets me express myself."

Some students had participated in their hobbies for years, like freshman Aaron Madison. "I started collecting Legos and building things with them in fourth grade. I have a lot, and now my entire room is filled with them," said Madison.

No matter what their interests were or how much time they had to spend on them, students indulged in their hobbies to forget their burdens at school.

*photo by Amelia Groetsch*



Gavin Kucera, sophomore  
*"I enjoy drawing in and out of school because I have ideas in my mind that I want to get out on paper. Seeing what I've drawn helps me get my thoughts out of my head and get rid of any problems or pressures I've had to face during the day."*

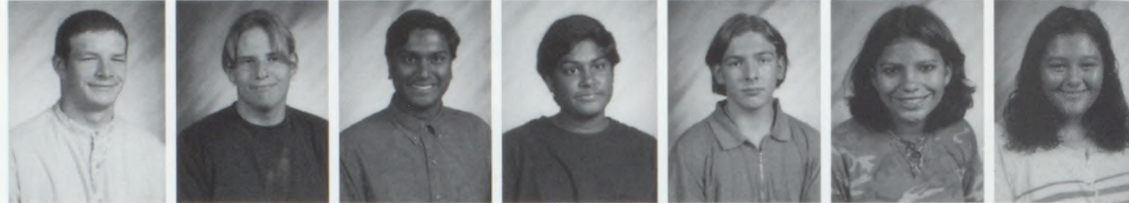
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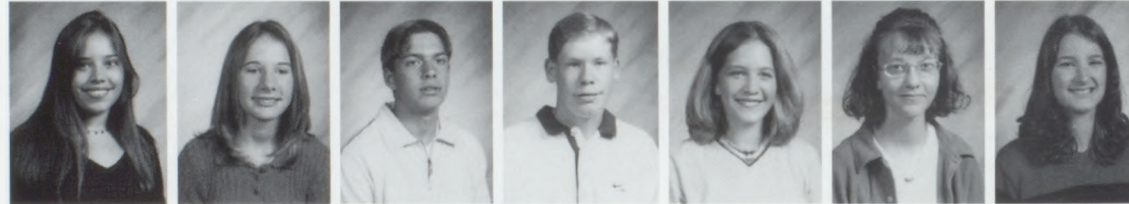
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# A Relaxing

# Rhythm

*Pep band provided members and directors with a time to kick back after tension in competition*



Marching band members could breath a sigh of relief at the start of pep band. The students had the leisure of playing for fun, but also for a grade. "It's a more relaxed atmosphere," said band director Ms. Jessica Paff. "It's a chance to open up and play."

The pep band played during pep assemblies and the boys' and girls' basketball games. The music consisted of songs from the 1950's through the 1990's. Songs played by the band were "The Flintstones," "Mission Impossible," "Jail House Rock," "Para Los Rumberos," "Land of a Thousand Dances" and many others. "It's fun music to play because we have all heard of the songs and it's more relaxing than concert band," said sophomore Sarah Tuttle. "Ms. Paff isn't as concerned about pep band as she is during concert band. We don't have to go to contest."

With the absences of early morning rehearsals in order to fine tune the performance pieces, the pep band was able to concentrate on encouraging the crowd to get involved in the game.



Sophomore Zarine Anklesaria and assistant director Mr. Chris Baughman rehearse before pep band. On pep band nights, members would rehearse at 5:30 before going to the girls' basketball game at 6:30. *photo by Alycia R. Comer*

*photo by Alycia R. Comer*



Jessica Paff,  
band director

*"Pepband has always been a recreational part of our music program. The low stress atmosphere is conducive to providing opportunities for student leaders so they can fill some of the roles that I might traditionally fulfill, like conducting."*

*spread by Alycia R. Comer*

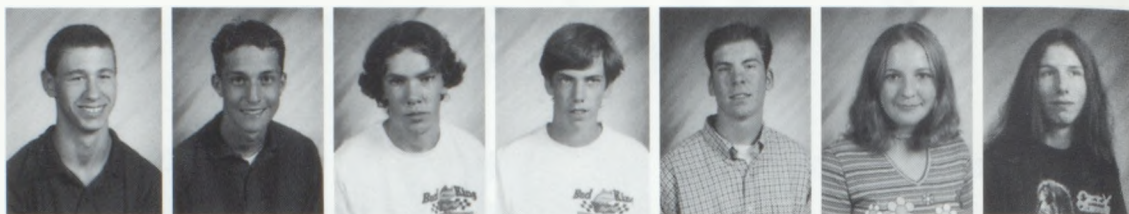
In between songs, sophomore Dustin Simmerman practices the solo in "Louie, Louie." *photo by Alycia R. Comer*

Mel Blanc (the voice of Bugs Bunny) was allergic to carrots.

**Go figure!**



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John Parenza, 11  
Josh Parry, 11  
Luke Parry, 9  
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# Training

# for Life

*Adaptive P.E. was a success giving disabled students a chance to enjoy the same activities as others*



Senior peer helpers Lisa Stradley and Merrin Rose work together with Adaptive P.E. Student freshman Scott Barnes. "We work with the kids and as long as they are laughing and enjoying it, it's a fun gym class for them," said Stradley. *photo by Kelli Brown*

Sarah Kendig, '00, jumps rope with help from her peer helpers, juniors Pam Thomas and Morgan McChurch. *photo by Kelli Brown*

A new program called Adaptive P.E. was developed by Mr. Dave Beason to accommodate the high population of disabled students in the school. Senior peer helper Matt Longmire said, "It gives the kids a chance to get exercise and physical activity outside of their home."

In Adaptive P.E., the students participated in the same activities as in the other P.E. classes. In order to play these games, some modifications were made. In baseball, they used a batting tee with a softer ball and a larger bat. Other changes included a beach ball and a lower net for volleyball. Senior student Jeremy Neswold said he had a bungee cord to help hold his hockey stick. Other changes depended on the activity and the individual.

Each disabled student was assigned a peer helper. The peer helpers were chosen by Beason after volunteers signed up for the class. The peer helpers were there to assist the disabled students whenever it was needed. "We help the student as much as we can by giving them the support they need," said sophomore peer helper Jason Hulett.

*photo by Kelli Brown*



Jeremy Neswold, right

Mr. Dave Beason,  
P.E. teacher

*"There are other Adaptive P.E. programs around the state; our program is new and is designed to service a population that doesn't have any special programs. We try to serve a need for these students by letting them play the same games as everyone else."*

*spread by Brody Wells*

**More people are killed annually by donkeys than in air crashes.**

**Go figure!**

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Nick Rogers, 9  
Adam Rohret, 10  
Jean Marie Romanella, 9  
Brandon Roth, 10  
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Dawn Routson, 11  
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Robert Shumaker, 9  
Joel Siedenburg, 10





# Responding

*Three seniors volunteered at the fire department to help battle fires and rescue those in danger*

# to 9-1-1



**L**istening to the radio, senior Andy Willson and Assistant Chief Tim Cox wait to see if they will get called to a fire. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

**C**limbing on the truck, seniors Troy Hansen and Eric Peterson practice getting ready to go to the scene of a fire. They had to put on all their gear and jump up on the truck; once on the truck they put on oxygen masks to prevent smoke inhalation. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

Three seniors have joined 18 volunteer fire fighters in working at the fire department. Seniors Troy Hansen, Eric Peterson and Andy Willson took on the responsibility of fighting fires and rescuing others.

Hansen was the **first** to start. He decided to do this because it was something he had always wanted to do. Hansen and Peterson wondered if they could help at the department their freshman and sophomore years, but had to wait until they turned 18. "Troy and I had talked about joining, and to me it sounded kind of risky, like a thrill," said Peterson. "It really is; when you get a call it is the biggest rush."

Willson didn't necessarily do it for the thrill or to fulfill a dream, he had another reason. "I wanted to provide a service to my community because I've lived here my whole life. I just wanted to give something back," said Willson.

Hansen, Peterson and Willson agreed that it was fun to help at the fire department, but the best part was being able to volunteer.

*photo by Bartelt Portraits*



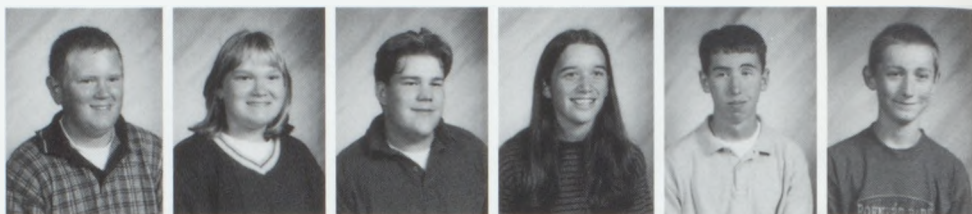
Troy Hansen,  
senior

*"The most exciting thing is to be able to go into a house that's burning. It's usually really hot, but you can't tell with your suit on. You can breathe through your air pack, so you don't have to worry about the smoke. Most of the risks are gone."*

*spread by Kate Vocolka*



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Megan Sinnwell, 11  
Matthew Skeens, 10  
Michael Skinner, 10



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Tanner Smart, 9  
Jessica Smeltzer, 11  
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Chaundra Smith, 9  
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Katie Sorak, 10  
Ryan Spencer, 10



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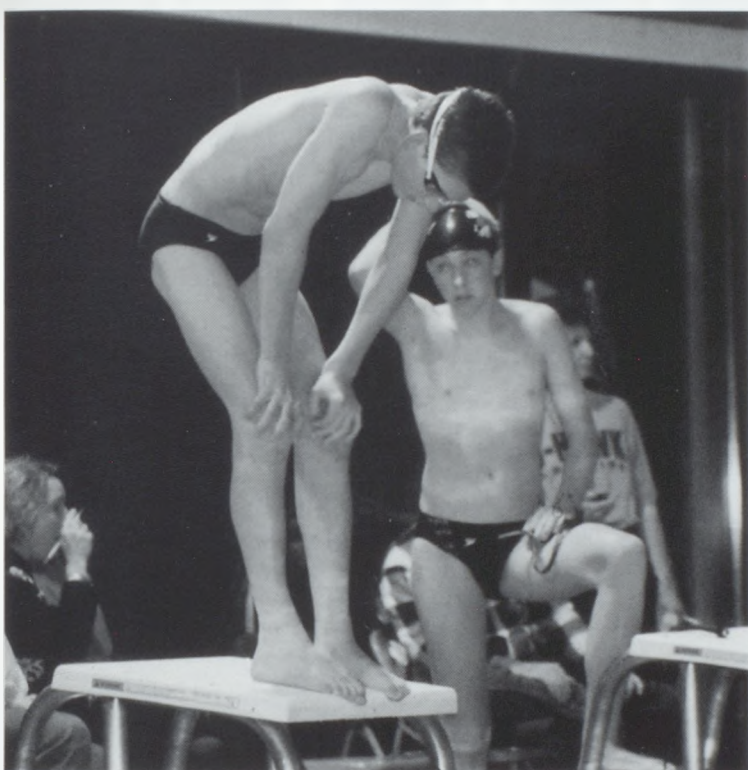
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# Higher Levels

*With motivation as their drive,  
underclassmen succeeded in  
varsity sports*



**C**oncentrating before his race, sophomore Adam Graaf prepares for the 100 meter breaststroke. Graaf, who also swam for varsity his freshman year said, "I've never felt uncomfortable competing on a team with older guys; you just swim!" photo by Michelle Norton

**G**etting square to the basket, sophomore Ashley Bengard hopes for a successful shot. This was Bengard's second year on varsity. photo by Mish Norton

Despite the traditional concept linking upperclassmen with varsity sports, skilled underclassmen took advantage of the privilege to play at a higher level.

Though most underclassmen were nervous about performing with more experienced athletes, they soon realized they could make mistakes without feeling uncomfortable. Freshman Lindsey Kroeger said, "I was so afraid that if I messed up, everyone (on the swim team) would get mad. But now I've become comfortable with the fact that the team's older than me. They're extremely motivating."

Motivation was **one** of the main drives for athletes during their varsity experience. "I always strive to be as good as the older guys on the team to prove that I'm just as capable as them," said sophomore varsity basketball player Quinn Sypniewski. "It takes a lot of work to measure up to them."

Striving to become better athletes and gain more experience, underclassmen played crucial roles in contributing to their team.

photo by Brody Wells



Victoria Brenton,  
freshman

*"I was so shocked that **three** freshmen made varsity. I found it to be really challenging, but it was okay as long as you kept pushing yourself to greater limits. You always have to push yourself to run **one** more lap than everyone else at practice."*

spread by Nicole Frank

A 'jiffy' is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.

**Go figure!**



Misti Thoren, 10  
 Rene Thoreson, 9  
 Tara Thornton, 9  
 Adam Tillman, 10  
 Jacqueline Timmons, 10  
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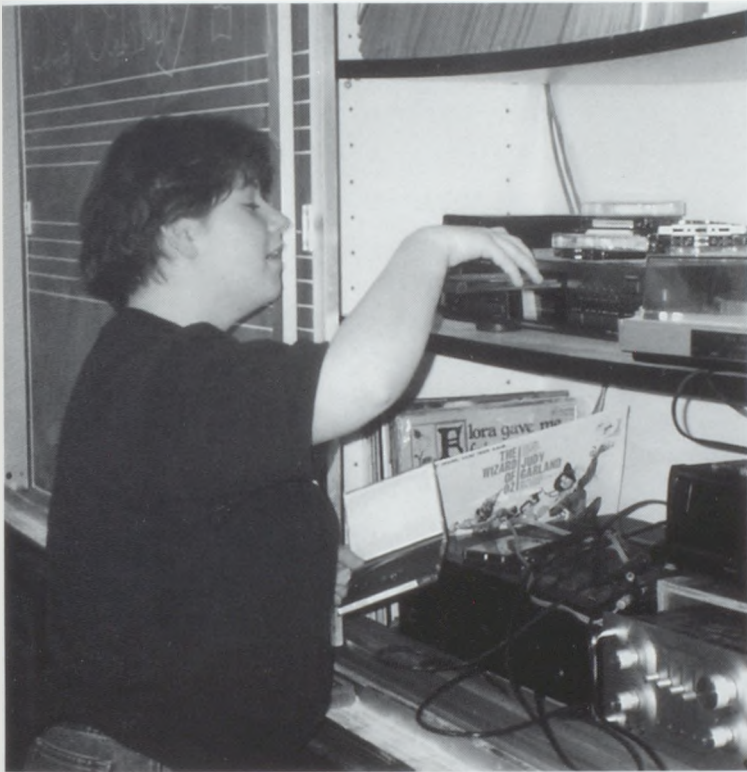




# Living

# Examples

*Role models were recognized as leaders as students went to family, friends and public figures for help*



In times of distress, students had the option of observing how others handled themselves.

Some students saw talents within friends to be helpful. "A friend of mine sings worship music and I wish I could praise God in that sense as well as she can," said junior Ellen Dane.

Students also found guidance by referring to parents for help. "I'll go to my mom for advice about anything because she's the only person who really knows me and understands how I feel and react to things," said senior Lisa Odland.

Even public figures made an impact on how students thought about career situations. "Bill Gates is a self-made man who made his way without help and I respect that," said junior Matt Wagner.

Though students looked up to role models for advice, others faced the responsibility of being role models themselves. "My cousins always do what I ask them to do and act like angels whenever I baby-sit them," said sophomore Katie Keck.



Inserting a CD, senior Sarah Green prepares to listen to one of her favorite singers. "Simon Estes' main influence is his family, but he looks out for others too, and that's important to me," said Green. *photo by Matt Ring*

Helping with a math problem, freshman Ryan Jameson shows freshman Eric Hansen an equation on his calculator. *photo by Matt Ring*

*photo by Matt Ring*



Marcus Iwig, sophomore

*"My older brother gives me a lot of advice in dealing with sports. When I'm sitting on the bench or hurt, he tells me that I shouldn't worry about it because sports are just a minor part of life. I know he's gone through the same thing."*

*spread by Matt Ring*

**In 1980, a Las Vegas hospital suspended workers for betting on when patients would die.**

**Go figure!**



Elizabeth Webb, 9



Megan Webster, 9  
 Marah Weigel, 10  
 Nicole Weirich, 10  
 Joe Weisz, 9  
 Katie Weisz, 11  
 Brody Wells, 11



Andy Westcott, 11  
 Andrea Westover, 11  
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 Jason Wheeler, 9  
 Bart Whipps, 9  
 Jayme Whitaker, 9



Jennifer White, 11  
 Dan Whitten, 11  
 Ben Wicks, 10  
 Leah Wieland, 10  
 Robert Wigger, 9  
 Meghann Wiig, 11



Lindsey Wilde, 11  
 Jennifer Wiley, 9  
 Kelly Wilges, 11  
 Megan Wilkens, 9  
 James Willems, 9  
 Chris Williams, 11



Justin Williams, 11  
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# Busting a Move

*Whether they were all dressed up  
or casual, students found  
different ways to save a buck*



**D**eciding on the next song to play, senior Ed-dawg McAtee deejays at the yearbook-sponsored street dance. *photo by Kate Vocolka*

**G**rooving with the tunes, sophomore Joel Sieden-  
burg, junior Zach Parsons  
and freshman Bart Whipps all  
let loose at MORP. "My  
Leadership Retreat service  
project was to help with the  
dance," said Parsons. "I missed  
the whole **fourth** quarter of the  
basketball game to help set it  
up." Students paid \$2 to get in  
and also had the option of  
purchasing a Polaroid with  
friends for \$1. All proceeds  
went to Dollars for Scholars.  
*photo by Mish Norton*

Despite common opinions linking Winter Formal with lots of cash, many found ways to break away from tradition.

Some tried to pinch their pennies. "My theory is to borrow a dress and pick flowers out of a garden for the boutonniere," said sophomore Meredith Calhoun.

Lack of money wasn't the only reason people didn't spend big bucks on an outfit. "I couldn't find a dress that I liked and that fit me, so my mom made my dress," said freshman Sarah Kiester.

Others decided to skip expensive restaurants and test their own cooking skills. "(Juniors) Tyler (Tompkins) and Kyle (Campbell) made a **six**-course meal. For our main course we had mac and cheese with chopped up wienies," said junior Erin Derby.

Others didn't have to reach into their pockets for expenses. "My mom gave me money for the dance; that's my way of saving money," said junior Andy Briggs.

In the end, various ways of saving money proved to be as much fun as conventional methods.

*photo by Ben Flannery*



*left, Suzanne Cirkse*

Luke Hall,  
junior

*"After we were done eating  
at Sam and Gabe's,  
(senior) Bill Tiernan's car  
doors got frozen shut. We  
tried to get Bill's doors  
open by pouring hot water  
down the cracks of the  
door, but it didn't work. So  
we had to take Bill and his  
date to the dance."*

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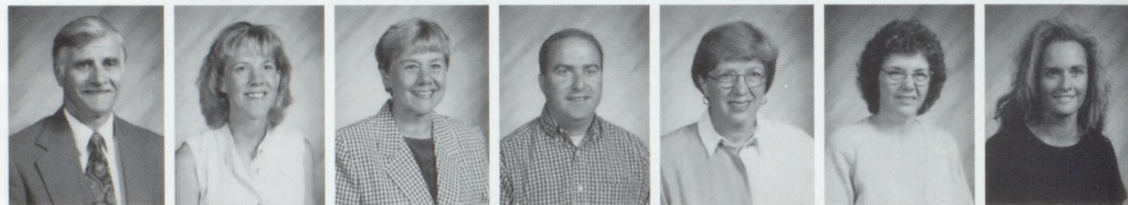
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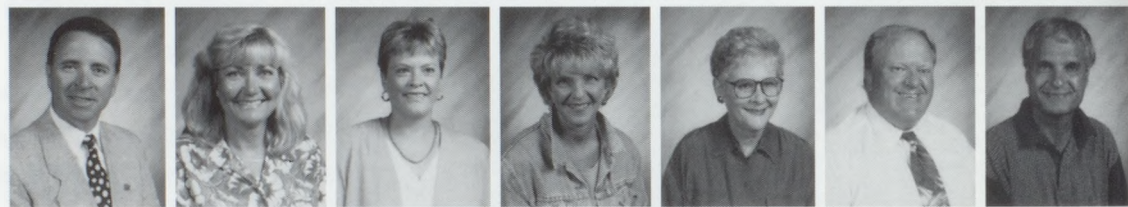
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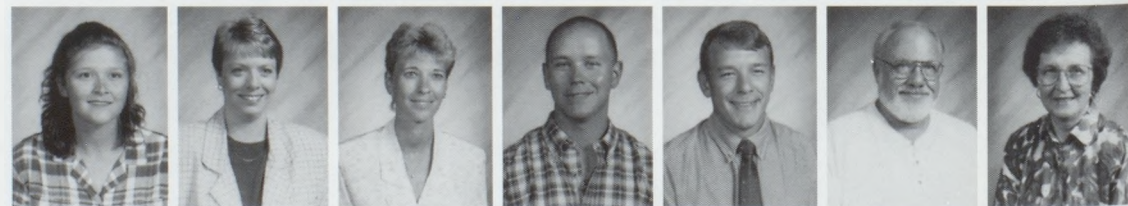
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# Changing

*New teachers accepted their roles while Dr. James Casey prepared for a central office position*

# the Guard



To avoid over-cooking the noodles, foods teacher Mrs. Lisa Stange turns down the heat for sophomore Ben Wicks. Stange previously taught at Urbandale and was hired to replace Mrs. Molly Lauen who retired last year. Stange also taught personal family living and child development. *photo by Kelli Brown*

New physical education teacher Mrs. Beth Ward eyes the basket over sophomore Craig McFarling. *photo by Kelli Brown*

At the end of the 1997-98 school year, Dr. James Casey resigned as principal to take over the position of Director of Human Resources. In the past, the responsibilities were filled by each of the building principals.

Casey hoped that by having **one** person fill the job it would provide more policy consistency and relieve the additional responsibilities on the principals. "I see this as being a real opportunity to help the district and hopefully assist the building principals by allowing them to face the issues they need to," Casey said.

Casey decided to take this position in order to become more involved in the educational process, but this time with the teachers. "I enjoy teaching as a building principal, but it's really limited," Casey said. "So this allows me to teach the incoming and existing staff. It puts me more into the role of a teacher rather than an administrator."

Casey looked forward to his new role. For him it was an opportunity to excel in his career and at the same time continue his own personal learning in the field of education.

*photo by Megan Stetson*



Dr. James Casey,  
principal

*"There are so many rewards dealing with kids. Anytime you see growth and see them respond and do good things, that's rewarding. If I wasn't in an organization that promoted lifelong learning, I would not be very content."*

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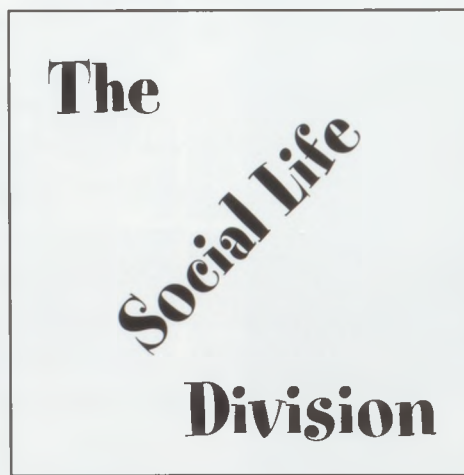
**Thirty-five percent of the people who use personal ads for dating are already married.**

**Go figure!**

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**T**op- Juniors Matt Reber and Andy Johnson play Tug-of-War during Rock Around the Clock. *photo by A. Groetsch*

**M**id- Sophomores Erin Samson and Nikki Thies vote at Winter Formal. *photo by Mish Norton*

**B**ottom-Senior Erin Barlow climbs to her seat at Class Day. *photo by M. Ring*

**T**op-Senior Justin West and date Becca Tapken parade up the sidewalk to prom. *photo by Megan Stetson*

**B**ottom- Junior Kristyn Knight sets up Jenga at after-prom. *photo by Melissa Miller*

**T**op- Sophomore Micaelah Morrill and junior Angela Finestead chat and look at pictures. *photo by Jenny White*

**M**id- Junior Adam Lewis plays with some toys at the after-Madrigal party. *photo by Michelle Collignon*

**B**ottom-Senior Kevin Burpee shakes Dr. Sundblad's hand at commencement. *photo by Michelle Collignon*



# Staying up late and waking up early

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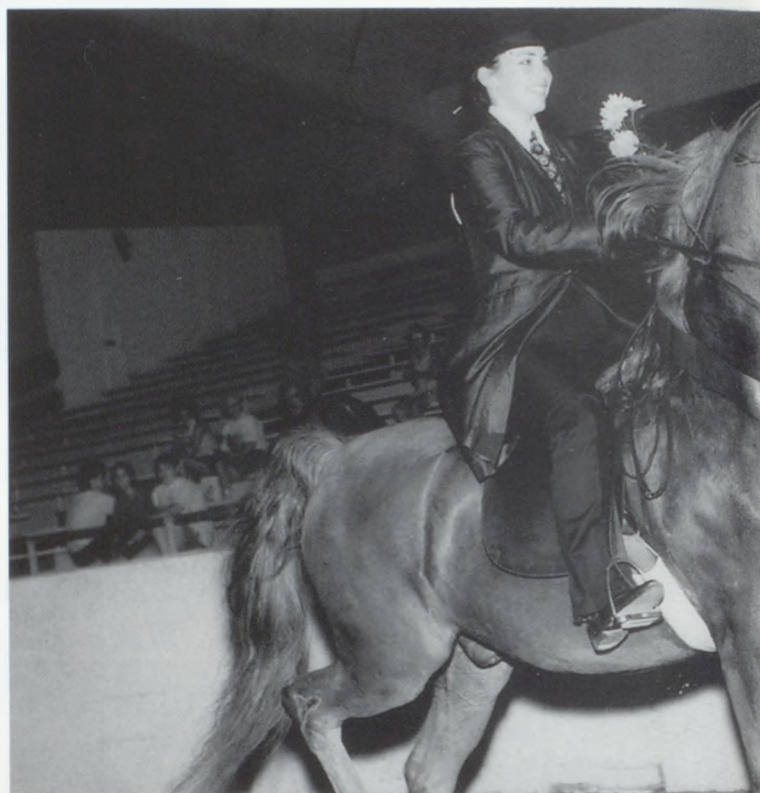
- 24** - Number of teams in Rock Around the Clock
- 3** - Hours of dancing at Winter Formal
- 120** - Minutes that Class Day lasted
- \$35** - Price for a couple's prom tickets
- \$3,000** - Cash prizes awarded at after-prom
- 23** - Rows of bleachers on the home-side
- 6** - Poles in junior Emily Haight's basement
- 86** - Number of males in the class of '98



# Summer trips

*Students spent their summer break hunting for ways to have fun. While some went on far away voyages, others took small excursions around town with friends.*

**S**enior Kelly Woodward competes in the Show Pleasure Juvenile Event in Windom, Minnesota, with her horse, Bailey. Woodward has been riding for eight years and has won several championships. *photo by Linda Wollaber*



## Summing it up

spread by Melissa Miller and Emily Miller

**DOT FEST**, an all day festival of alternative music, came to the Ankeny Airfield on June 7.

**IOWA BARNSTORMERS** lost to Arizona Rattlers at the Arena Bowl.

**WALLFLOWERS** performed at the Iowa State Fair.

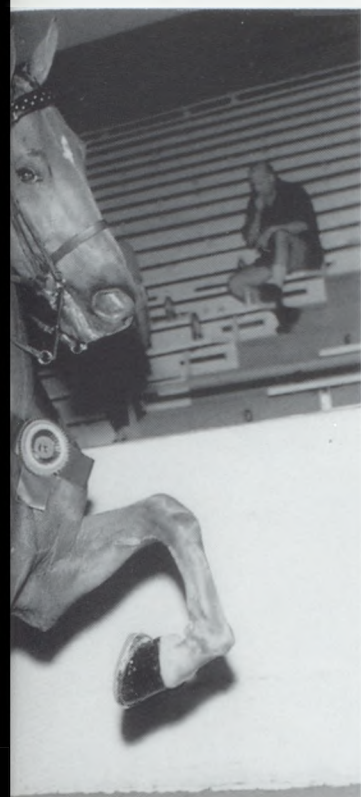
**IOWA CUBS** made it to the playoffs.



Goldfish kept in a dark room often turn white.

**Go figure!**





**D**iving into the water, sophomore Amy Young swims with friends at her house before they go lift weights. Young lifted during the summer to prepare for the upcoming swimming season. photo by Anne Waller



~Lisa Doudna, '00

there. It was a lot of fun because we were helping other people."

• U.S., and we taught Bible school to the little kids



"This summer, I went with a

" Toward the end of the summer I planned to go cliff diving at Lake Red Rock. I had gone once before with my baseball friends. It's kind of scary jumping off at first, but it gives you a big rush. "

~ Derek Kim, '98



" I went to the mall with my friends. We dared (freshmen) Sondra Schreiber and Meredith Avaux to buy a cardboard TV at Kohl's. The clerk thought we were nuts and got mad at us. "

~ Kelsey Bell, '01

" This summer I went to Paavo Running Camp in Michigan. I thought it would benefit my running career. We ran **three** times a day. It made me realize my potential and how fast I could run. "

~ Ted Christakos, '00



" We went camping at (junior) Jill Emmerich's grandpa's farm. The girls didn't want to swim, so the guys pushed us into the lake in our clothes and we didn't have anything to change into. "

~ Andrea Westover, '99

• group of 15 people from my church to Hawaiian Gardens, California. It has the highest crime rate in the



**O**n a mission trip, senior Lanie Smith jumps rope. Smith traveled to California with Meredith Drive Reformed Church. photo by Brooke Miller

**B**eing serenaded by the staff at Hooters, senior Kent Anderson celebrates his 18th birthday in July. photo by Tammi Anderson

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# Weekday Relief

*Weekends offered students time to indulge themselves in a variety of different activities and to cut loose from the everyday hassles of the school week.*

Dancing to the music, seniors Shelly Nissen, Jaymie Johnson and Heidi Kiester show their moves on the dance floor. The trio coordinated their outfits for the MORP dance. Kiester's mom made the pants. *photo by Michelle Norton*



## Summing it up

**A NEW COFFEE HOUSE,** \*Starry Night\*, opened to give students a local place to get coffee products.

### **DISCOUNT \$1.50 MOVIE THEATER**

Silver Cinemas opened, offering a relief from the regular \$6.25 price of admission.

**JAMES CAMERON'S "TITANIC"** surpassed "Star Wars," becoming the highest grossing movie ever.

**ENERGY, A NEW TEENAGE DANCE CLUB,** gave students a place to dance in an "over 18" society.

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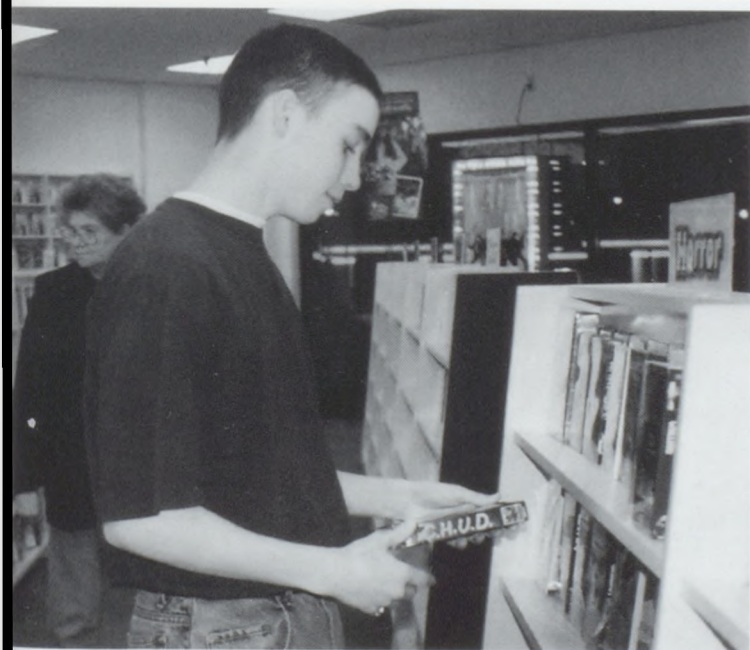




Sitting down for a Chinese feast, junior Rory Flynn eyes his next bite of chicken. After the girls' basketball team's disappointing sub-state loss, some students found it comforting to hang out and chill at sophomore Ben Flannery's house. *photo by Ben O'Flannery*



~Nathan Huber, '98



sign at the middle school and all the cars stopped for it.

Showing support, senior Ryan Kirkpatrick, junior Dan Armstrong and senior Jed Schmidt cheer for the volleyball team. *photo by Michelle Norton*

Searching through the rentals at Moovies, sophomore Marcus Iwig looks for a movie to rent. Iwig rented the movie "Mallrats." *photo by Michelle Norton*



"I really appreciate the time that

"I have to work on the weekends at Target, so that takes time away from what I like to do, such as hanging out and watching movies. I usually work at the cash register or in customer service."

~Lori Howard, '98



"When it is nice, I like to go out to the lake and go waterskiing with my family and friends. The reason I enjoy it so much is that it gives me an excuse to get out and relax in the sun."

~Nathan Lynch, '99

"My friends and I like to go shopping on the weekends. We like to go to either Merle Hay or Valley West Mall. My favorite store would have to be either the Gap or American Eagle."

~Lindsay Phillips, '01



"I prefer to hang out with my friends and watch movies. My favorite movies are the new James Bond flicks. The reason I like them so much is that I really like Pierce Brosnan. He looks good in a tux."

~Kate McNerney, '00

time when we were skating, I rolled out the stop

I can spend skating with my friends. We spend most of our skating time in the school parking lot. One



# Time out

aking a break from normal routines and pressures, students eagerly dove into Rock Around the Clock, float building and other homecoming activities.

**P**lunging through the pudding slide, senior Dan Kuster is doused with water by Mr. Jerry Stratton and Mr. Rob Boley. Kuster was part of the team Vini Vidi Veci, which placed **second** overall in Rock Around the Clock.  
*photo by Amelia Groetsch*



## Summing it up

**KING:** Brent Whipps

**QUEEN:** Jodi Peitzman

**ATTENDANTS:** Sharon Ehm,  
Shauna Sleep, Shelby Sleep,  
Chad Baker, Dave Gray and  
Brad Sewell

**JUNIORS:** Jeny Oderkirk and  
Chris Dickey

**SOPHOMORES:** Jenny Bond  
and Adam Twedt

**FRESHMEN:** Haley Wheeler  
and Jon Lewton

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As they demonstrate their wild dance moves, sophomore Kyle Mertz and juniors Andy Westcott and Chris Dickey groove to the song "Ice, Ice, Baby" by Vanilla Ice. Students danced to the variety of songs played by deejay Jimmy Wright from Star 102.5.

photo by Amelia Groetsch



"When we were building our float .

"Since Homecoming came so early this year, it was really hot when I was marching in the parade. I sweated so much, my band uniform was still soaked for Friday's game."

~Kevin Walters '99



"I wore a fake rhinestone bracelet to the dance, and while I was dancing it fell apart. I ended up spending half the night on my hands and knees looking for the rhinestones."

~Katie Barnett '99

"My favorite part of homecoming week was Rock Around the Clock because my team (Fire and Ice) won. I'm glad a memory of my freshman homecoming was such a successful one."

~David Batchelder '01



"The group I went to Homecoming with ate at Damon's before the dance. That weekend there was a strain of hepatitis A in some of their food, so I had to get a hepatitis A shot."

~Jodi Peitzman '98

~Betsy Sanders '00

then restuff and repaint it all over again."

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Circling the bat, senior Celeste Six begins her event. Dizzy Bat and Tug of War were games in Rock Around the Clock.

photo by Anne Sciorrotta

Maria Whipps kisses her son, senior Brent Whipps as varsity cheerleader senior Jodi Peitzman watches the prank unfold. photo by Ed McAtee



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# Dressed up

*Decorating themselves in the proper attire, students picked up their dates and headed for the Indoor Soccer Complex to have the "Time of Their Lives."*

Noticing a mark on senior Beckie Burnett's cheek, junior Renae Fuller attempts to remove it. "She didn't know it was there and I would be embarrassed if I walked around prom night with a mark on my face, so I wiped it off for her," said Fuller. *photo by Megan Stetson*



## Summing it up

### THE KING & QUEEN:

Eric Peterson and Kell Dennis

**THE THEME** of prom was "Time of Your Life" based on the Green Day hit song, "Good Riddance."

**THE COST** to get into prom was \$17.50 for one and \$35.00 for a couple.

**MULLICA FORMAL PICTURES** ranged from \$9.00 to \$21.00.

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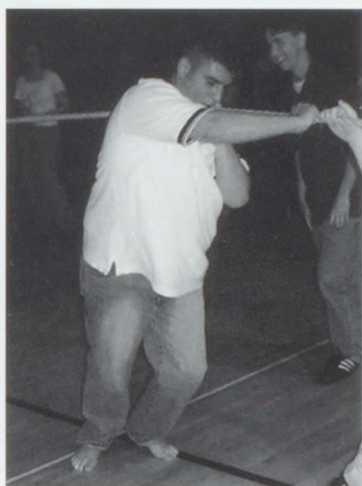
## Buckle

Merle Hay - Southridge - Valley West Malls





**R**eversing himself, senior Bill Tiernen tries to get some leverage while helping his team win the Tug-of-War competition at after-prom. Students herded friends together before the game to form teams. *photo by Matt Ring*



**S**enior Melissa Mattern and date Adam Harms lay a card on lucky number 14. For every five points, students could win one dollar. *photo by Melissa Miller*

**J**unior Christina DeHamer and date Dan Frost are repositioned by Mullica poser Tracie Burrell for their formal photo. *photo by M. Ring*

~Libby Hietbrink, '00

couldn't do it and everybody was getting frustrated. It was hilarious."

•

• when they were told to take the straw out, they



"During the hypnotist act, the

"It was cool to play the casino games like Roulette and Blackjack during after-prom. I don't get a chance to play those games anywhere else and it was a way of starting my gambling career."  
~ Steve Meiners, '99



"At Mama Lacona's, I ordered Caesar salad as my main dish, but I got it with everyone's dinner salads. So I had to wait until everyone had their main dish before I could eat it, and by then it was cold."  
~ Nicole Frank, '99



"(Sophomores) Anne Waller, Melissa Ward and I went to prom dressed in our jeans to see how dressed up everyone was. Somehow, we got inside and watched the dance from the balcony."  
~ Nikki Thies, '00



"When we got to prom, I thought it was pretty unique. When the couples were introduced they were brought out in front of everyone. It was like the spotlight was on you."  
~ J.D. Engstrom, '98



• students were given 'magic' straws that, when they blew into them, they would start to crack up. Then

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# Counting down

**C**halk boards were used by seniors to help keep track of the number of days left until graduation. This reminded seniors of their last days ahead and helped speed up the time before saying good-bye and moving on.

**D**uring senior Erin Flynn's open house, junior Jess Wagner and senior Brian Collins look through pictures from the senior breakfast and picnic. Looking at pictures was a main part of many open houses. photo by Michelle Collignon



## Summing it up

**CLASS MOTTO:** Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can and wisdom to know the difference.

**CLASS SIZE:** 196

**CLASS FLOWER:** Zinnia, which means "In memory of absent friends."

**SPEECHES** were given by Ed McAtee and Millie Smith.

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**D**r. James Casey and Linda Kading, president of the School Board, award a diploma to senior Josh Wells  
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chorus song because I couldn't get to it under my robe when we sat down." ~ Brian Sellner, '98



"I was holding Anne's (Sciorrotta,

"I can't wait to get out of this school. It's been a lot of fun and I've had some good memories and I'll miss talking to certain people, but it's nice to know I'll never have to come to another class here again."

~ Shane Smith, '98



"We sprayed silly string and threw bouncy balls at graduation. I had silly string with me, and I don't think the people in the front of me were very happy. I got them good."

~ Joebe Sparks, '98

"I think that the graduation requirements are bad. If you have enough credits you should be able to graduate without having a set number of semesters of English, math, science and other classes."

~ Justin Crowdis, '98



"During commencement I had mixed feelings going through my mind like how I will miss my friends, but then in a way I am also excited to move on to other new things in the future."

~ Keriann Sullivan, '98



**S**haking hands with senior Maria Brown, Dr. Richard Sundblad congratulates her after receiving her diploma. photo by Michelle Collignon

**A**t senior Alycia Comer's open house, sophomore Katie Keck and junior Dawn Routson play with Comer's niece. photo by M.C.

I had to wait to give it to her during the first

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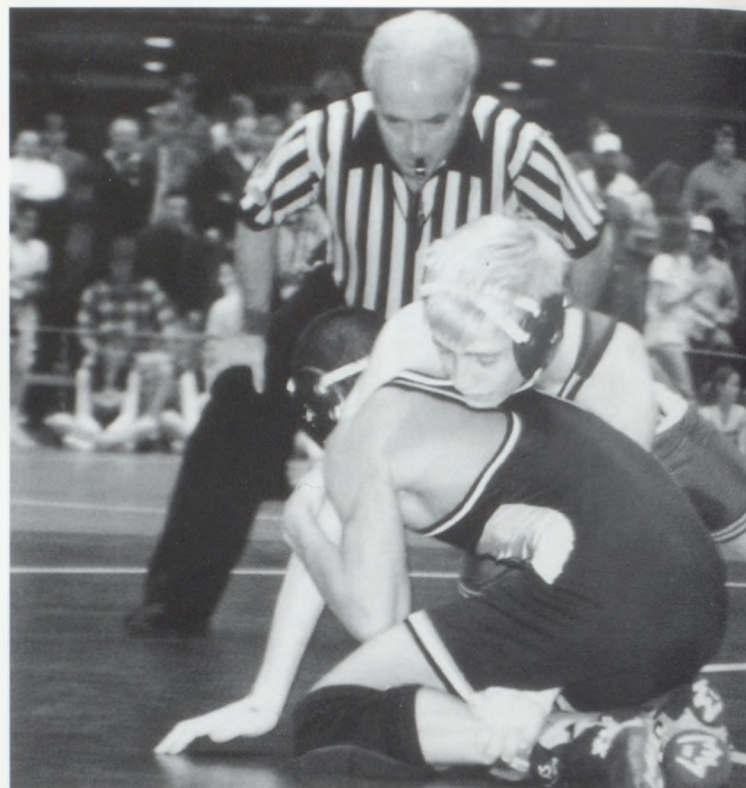
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# Rising above

Recognition was something students worked to achieve. They spent their time trying to excel in sports, the arts and leadership activities.

Pinning his opponent, sophomore Cody Lowman competes in the state wrestling tournament at 103 lbs. Lowman placed sixth in his division. He was the only wrestler who placed at state. *photo by Amelia Groetsch*



## Summing it up

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**THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL TEAM** won the state tournament against Sioux City at the University of Iowa.

**RYAN OLSON**, sophomore, was chosen to go on to the State Invention Convention.

**ODYSSEY OF THE MIND** won second place in state competition at Grinnell College.



**A CONVENIENCE STORE  
AND A WHOLE LOT  
MORE!**







Competing in a meet, junior Matt Kroeger swims at Urbandale. Kroeger's team won the 200 freestyle relay at state and placed **seventh** in the nation with a time of 1:26.87. photo by M. Norton



"I was in National Council of

"I was in the French Quiz Bowl at Drake and won **first** place. We were on teams and went around to different stations to compete with other teams. We worked everyday in class to prepare."

~ Katie O'Donnell, '01



~Andy Vis, '98



"I won **first** place at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids for a welding contest. There was a written test and a performance test I had to complete. I won a welder for a prize."

~ Joe Hockett, '98

"I competed in N.A.T.S. (National American Teachers of Singing). After **three** rounds, I won **first** place in my division. I had to compete against high school women from all over the state."

~ Sarah Green, '98



"I got honorable mention for a sports photo in yearbook. It took a lot of work to perfect my pictures; the **first** ones I took were pretty blurry. I just kept taking them until they got better."

~ Jennifer Gleason, '99



Erin Russom, senior, plays her clarinet. Russom was selected for All-State band **three** years and All-State orchestra her senior year. photo by M. Collignon

Senior Tammy Walz was **one of nine** awarded Outstanding Attorney for Mock Trial. She won **two** years in a row. photo by Melissa Miller

and then we had to fill out applications to be selected."

• listening to speakers. Teachers nominated us •

Youth Leadership. It was a conference where we learned different leadership skills by playing games and

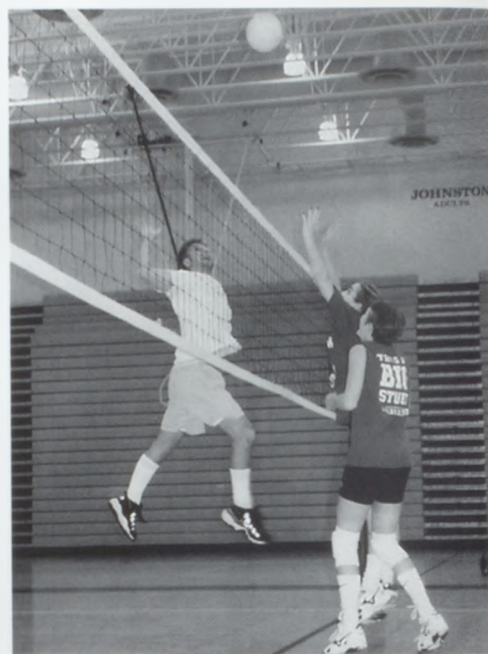


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**Chick** Sheila  
 fille **girl**  
 female lady  
**CHICA**

# Battle of

Spread  
 Anne Sciorrotta

While senior Jed Schmidt leaps to spike the ball, junior Lacey Corcoran and senior Heidi Kiester prepare to block. The varsity girls beat the senior guys 3-0. photo by Mish Norton



Waiting for graduate Ben Oviatt to read his e-mail, senior Nicole Chavas watches "The Rock." "It's hard having a boyfriend in college," said Chavas. "The second he gets home he sleeps for 28 hours."



## 10 REASONS

Why girls love guys...	Why girls hate guys...
10 "I like when guys are themselves and don't try hard to impress me." ~Sara Fisher, '01	10 "I hate when guys are disgusting and do obscene things in public." ~Ellen Dane, '99
9 "I like it when guys buy me presents for no reason at all." ~Ann Peterson, '01	9 "Guys can't take it when girls are better at something than they are." ~Beth Simpson, '98
8 "I love when guys bring me flowers and cheer me up when I'm sick." ~Carrie Schroeder, '98	8 "I hate it when guys try really hard in gym and nobody else cares." ~Sarah Kiester, '01
7 "I like it when guys drop everything they are doing to go out with me." ~Laura Oderkirk, '99	7 "Guys act differently around their friends than they do around me." ~Kelli Kramer, '98
6 "I like when guys do romantic stuff like making a tape of love songs." ~Tiffany Swanson, '98	6 "I hate it when guys are sore losers in sports." ~Julie Robertson, '01
5 "I love when they give bear hugs." ~Marie Bunce, '99	5 "I hate how guys obsess over cars." ~Misti Thoren, '00
4 "I like when they show their feelings and call you little sweet names." ~Katie Poston, '99	4 "They are very judgemental of a girl's looks and personality." ~Leah Wieland, '00
3 "I like guys that don't flaunt their looks so you can date them and not their egos." ~Andrea Westover, '99	3 "I hate how guys criticize girls for being their own person." ~Chaundra Smith, '01
2 "I like guys who treat girls like ladies." ~Jessica Way, '98	2 "I hate when guys try to lie to you, and you can see it in their face." ~Kirsten Frederick, '99
1 "I like when they act their age." ~Sarah Straw, '01	1 "I hate when they want to break up and they have their friend tell you." ~Stephanie Black, '98

Information taken from a survey of 50 girls

## Do girls or guys live a harder life?

"Girls have a harder life because we have to worry about what we wear to try to impress people because we are judged more."

— Lindsey Griggs, '00

"Guys live the harder life because they have a lot of responsibilities in dating, like calling the girl and bringing flowers. They have to be the brave ones."

— Maggie Marcucci, '99



# the Sexes

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Senior Melissa Mattern passionately kisses Urbandale senior Adam Harms at Winter Formal. "It's hard dating someone from another school because we have different schedules, so we have to manage our time to see each other," said Mattern.  
photo by Mullica

## 10 REASONS

Why guys love girls...	Why guys hate girls...
10 "I like when girls are smart and able to talk and hold a conversation with me." ~Nephtali Matta, '01	10 "I hate girls when they are materialistic and have an annoying laugh." ~Nathan Huber, '98
9 "I like girls that are really wild and fun to be around." ~Dustin Simmerman, '00	9 "It bothers me when girls talk too much and are obnoxious." ~Gavin Kucera, '00
8 "I love when a girl smells really exquisite." ~Aaron Wych, '99	8 "I hate when girls think they are fat and they aren't." ~Jon Swanepoel, '98
7 "Beautiful eyes." ~Nathan Rippey, '00	7 "I hate girls with no personality." ~Tim Walker, '99
6 "I like a girl who shares the same interests as me." ~John Heth, '99	6 "I hate when girls have facial hair and wear too much make-up." ~Rob Wisniewski, '99
5 "I notice a girl who has a care free walk and is fun to be with." ~Chris Nigon, '00	5 "I hate when girls complain about insignificant things." ~Adam Twedt, '00
4 "I like when girls can look you in the eye and not run away." ~Shane Foster, '99	4 "It bugs me when girls play with their hair all the time." ~Joe Hockett, '98
3 "I like girls because guys don't turn me on." ~Ryan Hulsebus, '98	3 "I hate girls that communicate with their eyes." ~Cory Curtis, '01
2 "I like it if a girl has a good attitude toward life and is a kind person." ~Mike Fagan, '01	2 "I hate girls that say 'like' all the time." ~Dan Thompson, '98
1 "I like girls that cook for me." ~Jared Clark, '98	1 "I hate when they say, 'You decide.'" ~Matt Schonhorst, '98

90%  
of guys think that  
the guy should ask  
for the first date.

54%  
of guys think that  
the girl should  
pick what to do.

62%  
of guys think that  
it's okay to kiss on  
the first date.

96%  
of guys think that  
the guy should  
drive on the date.

98%  
of guys think that  
the guy should pay  
for the date.

52%  
of guys would not  
have sex during  
their high school  
years.



"I would have to say that women live a harder life because, let's face it, they are not men!"

— Nick Konz '00

### Do girls or guys live a harder life?



"I believe that guys live a harder life than women because we have external genitalia and we have to listen to them nag and whine."

— Adam Lewis, '99

Information taken from a survey of 50 guys.





# FACE

Is President Clinton

a bad role model?

## JOE HOCKETT, '98

"Yes, because I think that it's unfair that the lowest ranks of our national military have to live by a code of honor and it seems wrong to me that the commander in chief doesn't have to."

## ROBERT PATTERSON, '01

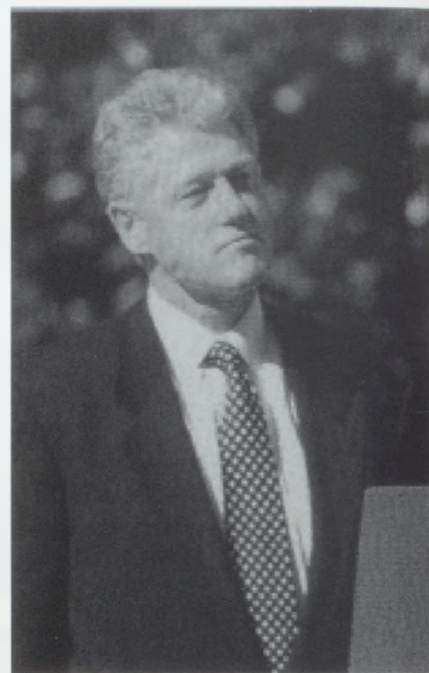
"No, Bill Clinton is our president and a person. His private life and sexual life are none of anybody's business. I think that he probably has had some affairs, but most of the recent ones are bogus."

## SARAH STRAW '01

"Yes, just because he is the president of the United States, doesn't mean he can lie under oath about his multiple affairs. He has to follow the same rules that the rest of us do."

## JOEY BASS, '00

"No, I think that President Clinton is doing a very good job running our country. He may be doing some stuff wrong in his personal life, but he is getting done what needs to be done."



President Bill Clinton

# 58%

of the student body thinks the paparazzi were responsible or partly responsible for Princess Diana's death.



•results taken from 50 students in each class•

Should 16-year-olds be able to drive between 12:30 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.?

## Rachel Webster, '98

"Not every 16-year-old's curfew is before 12:30 a.m. Besides, they would have to come home early and there aren't as many people out between those times so it won't have much of an effect."

## Andy Clark, '00

"I don't think it's a good idea for anybody to be driving at this time of night, especially new drivers. There is too high of a percentage of drunk drivers that late."



## Tim Adkisson, '99

"The experience and the privilege of driving have become undeniable rights that teenagers need to respect. This decision should be left to the parents as a teaching tool."



85% of 18 to 24-year-olds say that every person has a "perfect match."

# Go figure!



# O F F S

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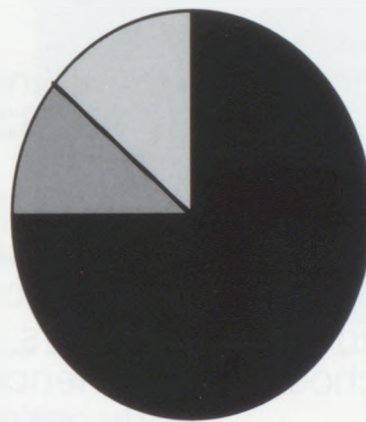


Monica Lewinski



Do you think President Clinton is guilty of the alleged affairs?

\*results taken from 50 students in each class\*



☒ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Undecided



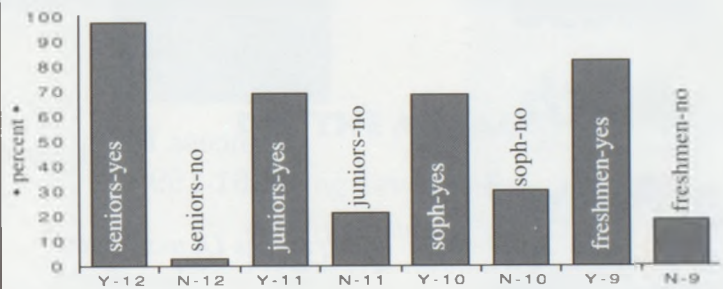
**COULD JOHNSTON BE THE NEXT JONESBORO?**

Should the school be more sensitive to the possibility of violence and install more protective measures?

"I think our school needs to be aware that there is a great potential for violence anywhere."

Kari Boscajian, '01

Do you think the 13-year-old in the Jonesboro case should be charged as an adult?



\* results taken from 50 students in each class \*

"This happened in a suburban community school so there's no doubt it could happen here."

Kelly Woodward, '98

"It would be a waste of money. Violence can occur regardless of the protective measures."

Katie Barnett, '99

**21% of American high school students say they want to be president of the United States.**

**Go figure!**



## YEAR IN REVIEW *Memorable events of 1997-98*

\*The Winter Olympics were held in Nagano, Japan. New events included curling and snowboarding.

\***Four** students and **one** teacher were shot and killed in Jonesboro, Arkansas by **two** students who were **13** and **11**.

\*In Springfield, Oregon, a high school freshman shot and killed his parents at home. He later opened fire in the cafeteria of Thurston High School, killing **two** and wounding **22**.

\*A new driving law was passed stating **16-year-olds** will not be able to drive between the times of midnight and **6:00 a.m.**

\*Frank Sinatra died of a heart ailment. He was **82**.

\*El Nino, a periodic ocean warming and pressure change in the eastern Pacific, caused unusual weather patterns worldwide. Iowa experienced a mild winter and an early spring.

### Whose death affected you the most?



Princess Di  
1961-1997

*"Princess Di was a role model, and her death showed how the public is into famous people's lives too much. It was such a tragic event. That's why I think I remember it the most."*

~Cindy Loffler, '99



Mother Teresa  
1910-1997

*"She was a good example for people. I think helping people should be a part of every day life and her acts as a public figure showed everyone how important that is."*

~Eric Fritz, '00



Chris Farley  
1964-1997

*"Chris Farley's movies were the best. He was so hilarious. I will never forget his movies like 'Tommy Boy.' I don't think any other actor will ever be able to replace him."*

~Nick Vangundy, '99



## Hepatitis A Scare

**Where:** Park Avenue Elementary, Damon's Restaurant, Noah's Restaurant and B-Bop's on Euclid

**Number of cases:** 194

**Precautions:** Students were no longer able to bring food that was not prepackaged or individually wrapped to school. Signs in the bathrooms were made to remind students to wash their hands thoroughly after using the restroom.



**F**reshman Katie Miller loads her plate with food during a French II party. Eliminating food brought from home was a precaution taken after the Hepatitis A breakout. *photo by Jennifer White*



**KENNETH**



**ALEXIS**



**JOEL**



**NATHAN**



**BRANDON**



**NATALIE**



**KELSEY**

SEPTUPLETS

~ Received a lifetime supply of diapers, a 15 passenger van, full ride scholarships and a 6,000 sq. ft. home

~ Parents are Kenny and Bobbi McCaughey of Carlisle, Iowa

~ Delivered by Dr. Paula Mahone and Dr. Karen Drake, who are neo-natologists at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines

### DID THE MCCAUGHEYS DESERVE **ALL THE PUBLICITY?**

"Having seven babies is something that doesn't happen very often and I think the money for groceries and the lifetime supply of diapers was really helpful for them. But I think it went a little overboard when they received a new van, house and scholarships for college."

~Nicki Weirich, 00

## Johnston Booster Club

Good Luck Class of '98



# trends & fashions

spread by Anne Sciorrotta

## Body Art and Piercings



**C**oncentrating on the ceiling, senior Erin Flynn tries to distract her attention from the pain as Expo employee Squeeze pierces her belly button. "Jen (Goode, '98) and I decided to get them done when we were in Florida," said Flynn. "We thought it would be our spring break bonding." *photo by Jen Goode*

"I'm waiting until I'm 18 to get a tattoo. I want a flame drawn around my belly button. It will probably bother me in the long run, but it'll be cool for the time being."

~Andy Westcott, junior

"I decided to get my tongue pierced instead of a tattoo because it wouldn't be permanent. If the trend passes I could take out the bar and the hole would close in half-an-hour."

~Jessica Leiendecker, senior

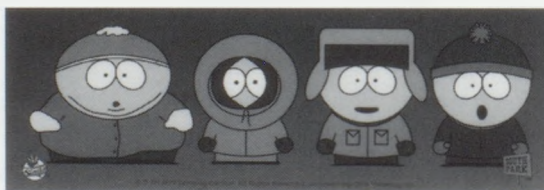
## Life Without "Seinfeld"

The beloved show finished its last season.

"I got addicted to "Seinfeld" in its first season. I loved George because he was fat and bald and could still get women. I don't think anything can take the place of "Seinfeld." I'll have to play video games, or maybe I'll start doing my homework."

Adam Twedt, sophomore

## South Park



The new cartoon "South Park" hit Comedy Central. The construction paper characters Cartman, Kenny, Kyle and Stan beat on each other and used obscene language, making the cartoon thoroughly entertaining. T-shirts and bumper stickers bearing the many deaths of Kenny or minor characters, like the Chef, became a hot item.

## the truth about



\* "Titanic" surpassed "Star Wars" to become the number **one** top-grossing movie ever.

\* "Titanic" won **11** out of its **14** Oscar nominations at the Academy Awards including Best Movie, Best Director- James Cameron and Best Song- "My Heart will Go On" by Celine Dion.

\* The "Titanic" replica was **775** feet long compared to **882** feet and **9** inches, the actual length of the "Titanic."

\* The "Titanic" struck the iceberg at **11:40** p.m. on April **14, 1912**, and took **two** hours and **40** minutes to sink. The disaster killed **1,523** people.



# CONCERT CALL



"I went to the Offspring concert at Supertoad. I realized we were in trouble when we could hear the music a block away. It was my first experience at an alternative concert and I must say, it was an interesting one. The highlights of the concert included a fight and a drunken man rushing the stage. The only thing I understood that night was that Noodles likes Taco Bell."

-Andy Verlengia, '98

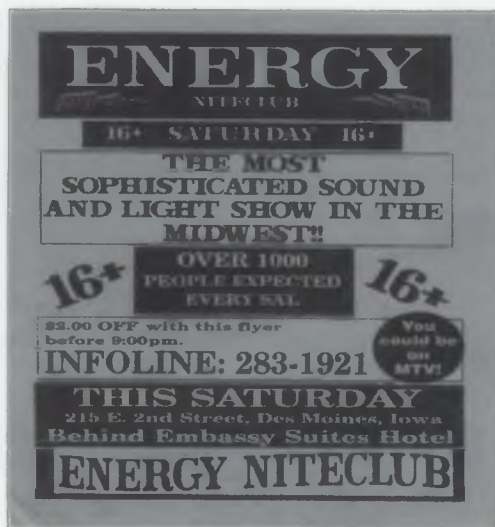
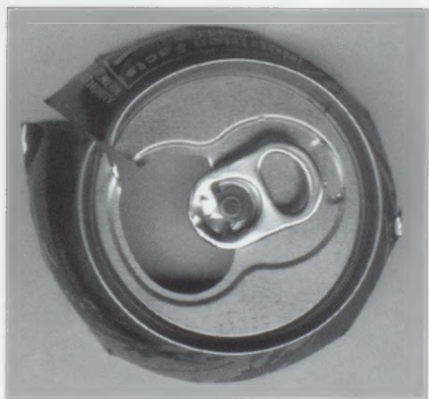


"We went to the Lone Star concert after one of the Barnstormer's games. We were in the front row. This was my first concert so it was really exciting. They played all of their good songs, and the lead singer would come close to the crowd. Everyone in the front row would reach out to try and touch his hands. Then they were tossing guitar picks and my friend, Katie O'Donnell ('01) got one."

-Ally Maas, '01



one pop, followed by Pepsi and Dr. Pepper.  
The choice of this generation was Mountain Dew. Out of the 100 random students surveyed Mountain Dew was the number



Eric Scheuchl, '99

"There's nothing to do in this town, so we go to Energy to have fun, pick up chicks and work our groove. We'd go there more, but eight bucks is too much and it's kinda far away. I'd rate the music a seven because they play good songs, but they have too many stupid remixes. I give the atmosphere a nine because they have cool fog, strobe lights and lasers."

## Fashionable Footwear



Nike



Eastlands



Airwalks



Birkenstalks





## The Advertisements Division



**T**op- Junior Rob Wisniewski puts together a puzzle at Wallace Kids Connection. *photo by Matt Ring*

**M**id- Senior Shawn Stetson stocks at Fareway. *photo by Jenny White*

**B**ottom- Junior Natalie Beck puts in a customer's order at Wendy's. *photo by Jenny White*

**T**op-Junior Jessica Smeltzer rings up a coffee bill at \*Starry Night\*. *photo by Jenny White*

**B**ottom- Seniors Shauna Sleep and Stephanie Nichols put away bottles of nail polish at the Limited Too. *photo by Jenny White*

**T**op- Senior Jason Timmons counts out change at Urbandale Hy-Vee. *photo by Jenny White*

**M**id- Sophomore Joe Townsend bags groceries at Fareway. *photo by Jenny White*

**B**ottom-Senior Kristin Aschenbrenner and assistant manager Ruth Armstrong sing at Gadzooks. *photo by Jenny White*



# Spend a little here and a little there

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spread by jennifer white

**3 -** Hours Kids' Connection is open after school

**\$1.15 -** Price of a **32** oz. bag of brown sugar at Fareway

**\$1.97 -** Price of a medium Frosty & small fries at Wendy's

**\$2.50 -** Price of a double caffe mocha at \*Starry Night\*

**2 oz. -** Size of a miniature bottle of nail polish

**50¢ -** Cost to get a personal check cashed at Hy-Vee

**4 -** Hours of training needed to bag groceries

**3 -** Number of area Gadzooks stores



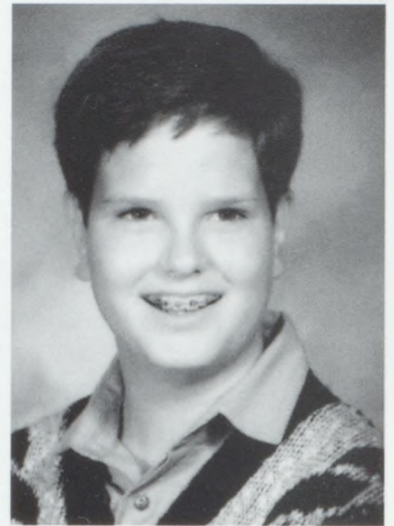
## Family and friends are most important!



Chuck Terhune



Chuck Terhune



Chuck Terhune

Congratulations, Charles! You have always been a joy in our lives, our shining "star." May you find serenity and many comfortable days in your life ahead. May the struggles you have faced give you courage. May you always find strength in your faith. We will always be there for you. May you always find goodness in others. Remember friends give you gifts each time you meet. Let love and faith be the driving force in your life. Don't be too concerned with material things. Each day try to see the beauty around you. We are all different in our own ways, but that makes us special. May your future be filled with dreams, promise and possibilities. Don't be dependent on others for your self-worth. And finally, the most important quality - a good heart. You have filled our lives with pride and joy. Be proud of the wonderful person you have become. It is with joy and sadness that you graduate: joy that you have wonderful opportunities ahead of you, sadness because we will miss you. We will always love you.

Dad and Mom



Brad Sewell, Brent Whipps, Chuck Terhune, Adam Foster, Dave Gray, Adam Nieting, Ryan Kirkpatrick and Jed Schmidt



From a kindergartner...



Anne Schoville

Anne Schoville



... to a graduating senior

*Congratulations, Anne!  
We are so proud of you.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad and Ellen*



Megan and Shawn Stetson

**Shawn-**  
Our best wishes to  
you in the future.  
Thanks for the 18  
years of fun you've  
already given us.  
Mom, Dad, Megan,  
Marissa and Amber

**Jason-**  
You will always  
be our little  
'Superman.'  
Much Love,  
Mom & Dad



Jason Timmons

Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure

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**Alvin the Chipmunk's favorite  
food was "Jell-O with a hot dog  
in it."**



Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure

Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure



Matthew Schonhorst

**Congratulations, Matt!**  
We are so proud of you!  
We love you and hope all  
your dreams come true.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Brad, Josh & Megan

Lanie -

Always follow your dreams, keep your  
individuality and use your compassion for others  
to succeed. Dad and I are so very proud of you.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



Lanie Smith



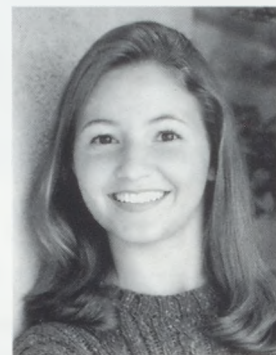
Sharon Ehm



Sharon, these are my wishes for you-

May you find serenity and tranquility in a world you may not always understand. May the pain you have known and the conflict you have experienced give you the strength to walk through life facing each new situation with courage and optimism. Always know that there are those whose love and understanding will always be there, even when you feel most alone. May you discover enough goodness in others to believe in a world of peace. May a kind word, a reassuring touch, and a warm smile be yours every day of your life, and may you give these gifts as well as receive them. Remember the sunshine when the storm seems unending, teach love to those who know hate and let love embrace you as you go into the world. May the teachings of those you admire become part of you, so that you may call upon them. Remember those whose lives you have touched and who have touched yours are always a part of you, even if the encounters were

less than you would have wished. It is the content of the encounter that is more important than its form. May you not become too concerned with material matters, but instead place immeasurable value on the goodness in your heart. Find time in each day to see beauty and love in the world around you. Realize that each person has limitless abilities, but each of us is different in our own way. What you may feel you lack in one regard may be more than compensated for in another. What you feel you lack in the present may become one of your strengths in the future. May you see your future as one filled with promise and possibility. Learn to view everything as a worthwhile experience. May you find enough inner strength to determine your own worth by yourself, and not be dependent on another's judgment of your accomplishments. May you always feel loved. -- by Sandra Sturtz



Sharon Ehm

Love always and forever, Your mother



Margo McCravy

Congratulations, Margo! We are so proud that you are striving to accomplish goals you set for yourself many years ago! We wish all the best for you as you begin your next school experience at Florida State University. May you embrace your future with all the excitement, caring and love that you have bestowed on this family and your menagerie of stuffed animals.

With all our love,  
Mom, Dad and Megan  
GO SEMINOLES!!!!

Millie-

Thank you for your love, friendship and strength. You have remained strong in the face of adversity. May your faith continue to provide your inner-strength and confidence.

Love,  
Mama and Heather



Millie Smith



Carolyn Merrill

Carolyn-

You are our shining star! We're so proud of all you're becoming. May all your dreams come true.

Love,  
Dad, Mom and Ben



Lisa-

Congratulations, you have achieved another milestone in your life. We are very proud of you and love you very much. Believe and succeed. Dad, Mom, Laura and John



Lisa Stradley

Shane-

We're so proud to have a son and a brother like you. As you begin a new phase of your life, always remember to reach for your dreams for you as a person are capable of all. We love you and wish you all the best. You'll always be our "Superman."

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Shannon



Shane Smith

From day one, we knew we had a brilliant student on our hands!

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Leslie



Ed McAtee

Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure · Go Figure

Go Figure · Go Figure

**Fake Christmas trees have outsold real ones every year since 1991.**



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Dana Schultz

Congratulations, Dana. We are so proud of you. You have brought so much joy and happiness to our lives. Good luck in college. We know you will be a success in whatever you pursue. We love you very much. Mom and Dad



Dayan Noble

Dayan-

Thank you for bringing so much love and joy into our lives. We are very proud of who you are.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Joel and Evan



Seth Elliot

Best wishes always,  
Seth.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



Adam-

You've always told us how lucky we were to have a son like you, but we've known that all along. God Bless You!

Love,  
Mom and Dad



Adam Nieting

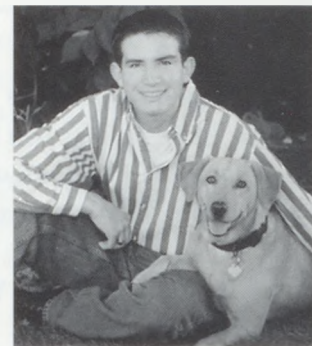
Jonathan-

It might be a dog-eat-dog world but we know you'll have it licked! We are so proud of you and can't wait to see the rest of your life unfold. Thank you for being the son you are.

With Love,  
Your Parents



Jonathan Martin & Sunny



Jonathan Martin & Sunny



Stephanie Nichols

*Dear Tookie,*  
While others were scrambling for prizes you were busy savoring your world. Wherever we went, whatever we did, you always saw more color, more light or shadow, or a different idea. You have become a loving, generous and responsible young woman. We love, and are so proud of you. With love and best wishes for your dreams to come true,  
Dad, Mom, Penny and Claire



Andy Verlengia

Since day one, you have brought each of us much joy and laughter. Remember that no matter where your journey takes you, you will always have our love and support.  
Dad, Mom, Toni and Chris

Kate Vocelka



Runt-

You've always been our "little" star in everything you tried. We know you'll continue to shine in your future. Dream big, reach high and know we love you.

Congratulations!  
Dad, Mom and Jon



Jodi Peitzman

We thank the Lord for giving you to us and trust you will continue to accomplish great things! We love you, Jodi.

Mom, Dad, Jenna and John

Wes-

You and your brother, Matt, are quite a pair; picking on your younger sisters and each other. Now that you have both graduated from Johnston and are working toward becoming educated adults, I would like to know when you plan to stop teasing your sisters. Congratulations, Boys!

Mom  
P.S. I love you!



Matt and Wes Nyberg





**Melissa and Marcia Mattern**

**Marcia and Melissa-**  
You have enriched our  
lives and blessed us with  
your love. You have  
always been twice the  
pleasure and fun. We  
are proud of you. We  
believe in you. We love  
you!!  
**Mom and Dad**

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**King Henry VI banned kissing  
in England in 1439 because he  
thought it spread disease.**



Go Figure · Go Figure

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*Congratulations, Tammy, the  
"Princess." We're the proudest  
parents alive. Wow, you've  
accomplished so much so far.  
You've given us so much joy and  
laughter. Keep those dreams big.  
We'll always be right behind you  
with our love and support.  
Love,  
Dad, Mom and Adam*

*Tammy Jo Walz*



"To give anything less than your  
best is to sacrifice the gift."  
Congratulations and we love  
you.  
Mom, Dad, Patrick, Tara and  
Erin



**Ryan McGowan**

## The "Saturday Night" Geezers!

photo by Mullica

Brent - Hey Brent Man!  
Who loves you, baby?  
We do!  
Love, Mom and Pops

Jed - Don't lose the ability to  
have fun. A sense of humor  
makes all the difference!  
Love, Mom

Dave - Thanks for the  
memories! Keep the faith!  
Love, Mom

Brad - Cool Man!  
Thanks for 18 fun-filled years!  
God bless always!  
Love, Mom and Dad



**Brent Whipps**

**Jed Schmidt**

**Dave Gray**

**Brad Sewell**





Nicole Chavas

From birth until now,  
you have always been  
the delight of our lives.

Love,  
Mom and Dad  
P.S. We love you!



Nicole Chavas



**Nathan Krofta, Seth Elliot,  
J.J. Pugh and Kevin Burpee**

**Look out world,  
here they come!  
Good luck  
Nathan, Seth,  
J.J. and Kevin!**



Nathan Krofta

Congratulations, **Nathan!** We are so  
proud of you and look forward to  
watching your next step in life.

Love,  
Dad, Mom and Eric

Little K-

You've always been the clown that makes all of us  
laugh; it's one of your greatest gifts. Being your  
sister, I know that you have so many other talents;  
your ability to listen whenever someone needs you,  
and your huge heart that always tries to do good.  
We've come a long way - from "you're shrinking" to  
"let's have a 'sister night'." You're the best sister and  
now one of my best friends. I love you, Katie  
Kathryn, and wish you the best in all you do!

Love,  
Kelli



Kelli and Katie Wong



Katie Wong



Dearest Angel Kate-

We are so proud of you as you reach yet another milestone in your life! It seems like only yesterday that we were bringing you home from the hospital, watching you go to kindergarten, seeing you grow into the loving, warm-hearted, gentle spirit, little imp that you are! You have great talents, gifts and insights, Kathryn

Jeanette; you have faith and the love of your family to guide you; you possess knowledge, strong morals, and know what is right and wrong. We love you, Angel Kate, and are excited at the adventures that await you!

Love always,  
Mom and Dad

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Go Figure · Go Figure

**In 10 minutes a hurricane releases more energy than all the world's nuclear weapons.**



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Go Figure · Go Figure

Erin-

We always knew you would do well. So far you've done better than that. Keep it up. We have enjoyed this time with you very much.

Love, Dad, Mom and Sean



Erin Ann Russom



Anne and Ellen Schoville

**Annie-my-heart-ding-**  
Thank you for always being there for me. Next year, I will miss you and all the great fights.



Brent and Bart Whipps

**Brent,**  
Thanks for being a great brother. I'm going to miss you.

**Love, Bart**

P.J.-

We brought you into this world. God planned it. We held and loved you, watched you grow and now it's time to let you go. It all went so fast, but what's in the past is a foundation for your future. P.J., you are a joy, ours for a moment, God's for a lifetime.



Patrick Holmertz



Elizabeth Ann Simpson

Bethie-

We are so proud of you. And whatever you choose to do in the future, we know you'll do just fine.

Dad and Mom



Erin Flynn



Erin Flynn

Our darling daughter,  
We remember when you were our little girl,  
so much a part of us.  
Our every breath and step held you in mind.  
Then suddenly, one morning -  
you were grown.  
It's very hard letting go.  
We are so proud of the young woman you've  
become, but we must tell you that in our  
hearts, you will always be our little girl.  
We love you.  
Dad and Mom



Kelli Brown

May your little feathers and  
your lofty thoughts take you as  
far as your dreams can imagine,  
for what lies within you has no  
boundaries. We are proud of  
you, Kelli.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Curtis and Fluffy



Jennifer Goode

Jen-  
Congratulations!

The last 17 years have gone so quickly!  
Thank you for all the joy and love you have  
brought into our lives.  
We know you will meet every challenge ahead as  
you have done in the past. . .  
with grace and the ability to put your best into  
everything you do.  
We love you and we're so proud of you.  
Mom, Dad and Chris



Melissa Jo Knowles

We are proud of your accomplishments  
and excited for your future. While  
continuing your journey through life  
remember there will always be people  
who will tell you that your dreams are too  
big, your hopes unattainable. Ignore  
them and shoot for the moon. Even if  
you miss it you will land among the stars.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



Anne Sciorrotta



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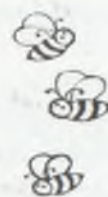
Anne-  
We hope you will continue to learn, laugh  
and make the most of every moment! May  
all of your dreams come true!  
We love you!

Mom, Dad, T.J. and Andrew

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**A swarm of 50,000 bees  
weighs about 10 pounds.**



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Taryn McAdam

We believe in you. Reach  
for the highest star! You  
have always been the star in  
our lives.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



Shauna and Shelby Sleep



Shelby and Shauna Sleep

Shauna and Shelby-  
We are so proud of both of you ...  
we truly have been "doubly" blessed.

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Lindsay



# American Sayings From France

Get this shopping thing outta your head! **Did you touch your gargoyle?** Hold on, let me write that down, **I've figured out how to screw the system.** We've got Einsteins comin' out of our ears! **YES! DUTY FREE!** I got hit by a car on the sidewalk. Um, I don't care- just eat my nuts. Could I peut etre try that? **They never put their knives down!** What if I walked comme ca??...Then I'd walk comme ca avec toi. **It's soooooooo fricken HUGE!** Its the green man, so go while ya can. **Tee-tan-eeek!** Is that the psycho lady who pushes people into the train tracks? **Tchuss!!** NO GIGGLING! **J'ai un petit balcon.** Do NOT make eye contact **Straight up now tell me...** **Paula Abdul on the Eiffel tower.** Do you see anyone wearing brown shoes and black pants? Where did all these boys come from? Je crois que NON! **This pen is Julie's... I stole it too.** Hey Erin, where are we again? I'm not quite sure... **Hot Italian boys combined with cement benches can be VERY dangerous.** I don't smell- its just my cheese. **They like to economize their clothes, A LOT.** I just grafititized the Eiffel Tower **I'm glad my tomato has tomato in it.** There's even a flippin' car out there! **MMM, Twix- two for me, none for you...** Not me, **I prefer a nice warm Danish!** I'm not quite sure, but I think that's the Mona Lisa. **10 francs!! I bought 2 keychains for 10 francs!!** Oh did you want to get through here?? yeah? Well, good luck. **I drown myself in your eyes.** It's my drug... what's your drug? **Picture Party!** Now that boy is beautiful. **Hey- this guy knows Lisa Oviatt!** Non! C'est le merde du chien! **Beaucoup de stuff.** Oh look, we're walking through the "sortie"! **Can we say chain smokers??** I can't believe the Germans carried this thing all through Paris! **"C'est tout bon! HA HA HA!" (Mish @ nite)** Your stinky cheeseman is outside. **Six heures moins quart!?! I know that ice cream is your drug, but you don't have to snort it! In case of emergency, your seat cushion can be used as a floatation device.** OK, hide around the corner, I'll knock... GO! GO! GO! ... Oh, that's so sweet, I think I'm gonna cry! Lisa, get a

ya gonna do, swore in Notre forgiveness in Sacre black; I blue. I was out were in my they were Hey, Michelle, you get that can you take a Yes, he has but that's all. Uh wrong metro. J'ai what do you think telling you the you won't hole in the ground? Florida? You take "(gasp) I forgot to Where are all moutons? I bet all the Louie's were une mouton.

rather be licking something else. Tricky-licky. **Je suis le roi...** Isn't she a girl? Cou! Cou! **WHOA! He speaks Swahili!** Should I wish to marry Tuba Ben? **Je ne suis pas facile, mais on peut en discuter.** How am I supposta eat this? **I need to use the hole.** Where's Mrs. Moermond? **Michelle, ma belle...** AAAH, not again!! You'd think for \$1000 driver's ed class they'd learn something! **yo yo yo yo- Strawberry Shortcake and Rainbow Brite rappin on the RER.** We're going up... Thank you, Captain Obvious! **I am so proud of myself- I love bargaining** The party is over **I don't wanna leave!** Good-bye Paris, I'll see ya soon!!!



Mrs. Mary Moermond, Kim Kohles, Lisa Defigueiredo, Erin Russom, Amanda Sellers, Ellen Dane, Michelle Vacco, Dennis Dane, Cindy Loffler

camera! **What are bleed on me?** She Dame and saught Coeur. **It was a thought it was a of control, they way, and, well deaf...** Slurp! Slurp! **how much did bracelet for?** Oh, picture with mine, too? **beautiful eyes...** guys, we're on the **femme (fiam)** So of Clinton? **I'm not name because remember!** Is it a **Is it snowing in** a big breath and say, buy the bread! **the red** this tree was here when here. **Dessine-moi** Piste Huit, C'est moi! I'd



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Once you were our tiny baby we could hold in our arms and protect. You are still our baby and we will protect you when we can. But you will have to move ahead alone in this phase of your life. Yet we will be right behind you to help you along when you need it. There is a whole new and exciting world out there just waiting for you. The course of your life you choose

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Thanks for an awesome year. Good luck in college.  
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Thanks for being the best "Homecoming Date" in the world!

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 cars will stop...GO! primus guy

Erin Russom



- "Erin has problems with drinks when I'm around. Once she had juice come out of her nose and also spilled Pepsi down my shorts!" Kate.
- "All I know is you, me and vacations don't go. Whether it be hurricanes, tornadoes or monsoons, the bad weather always finds us." Kelli.
- "We always have to go shopping, and change the way we dress. Hey, everyone needs a new wardrobe, right?" Nicole.
- "There's the Outlaw & mingling with strangers @ Urbandale Homecoming but I'll never forget how she always wanted to take off her shirt!" Anne.

Nicole Chavas



- "The day before Valentine's Day, we went to "Good Will Hunting" We attracted Central boys with our fake tattoos." Kate.
- Erin Russom's quotable memories: "No! Oh look, sugar!" Erin.
- "I can't believe that I got my earring stuck in your hair at Prom this year. Everyone was wondering what was going on." Kelli.
- "Our Starry talks hit the spot and she was always filling me in. I'll never forget the strawberry lemonade guys and the high chick in my drive way!" Anne.

Kate Vocelka



- Erin Russom's Quotable memories: Gimpy mechanics saying 'shut off the car!'" Erin.
- "I'll never forget getting lost on the way to the Fairfield pitching clinic on a Friday the 13th with a full moon. It just wasn't meant to be.." Kelli.
- "Well, the movies are always a trip! Especially when a group of college guys just can't get us off their minds." Nicole.
- "I'll never forget when we saw Matt @ the July 4 party. She always bent over backwards for me, especially to read the back of hot guys' shirts." Anne.

Kelli Brown



- "The first time Kelli and I ever talked, I asked her if she'd room with me at basketball camp. I got to know her and decided she was OK" Kate.
- Erin Russom's quotable memories: "Why is it that the only guy that likes me is shorter than Kelli?" Erin.
- "So the trips to the pool couldn't have been better! Thanks for all the laughs and the great surprise parties." Nicole.
- "We were attacked by aliens on her roof and we're hit on by 40-year-olds at Mc Donalds. We could look to the swings to solve any problem." Anne.

Anne Sciorrotta



- "I was so scared when we went to Joe's apartment H. I was nervous when she honked the horn. I thought I'd die." Kate.
- Erin Russom's quotable memories: "Go! The car will stop. GO!" Erin.
- "I was so mad the night at the park when you asked me about getting over past relationships and it forced me tell you about mine." Kelli.
- "I will never forget our coffee talks or the guys that followed us into your driveway. Well, one word: availability; can you smell it?" Nicole





Tonya Riley, Margo McCravy, Kent Anderson, Mrs. Pam Barnes. Row 2. Michelle Tomars, Chad Baker, Tim Hartschen, Bill Knapp, Bryan Collins, Leah Hoffschneider



To Bill, Chad B., Tim, Bryan, Margo, Tonya and the rest of the Pembroke Pride-

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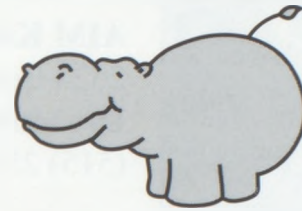
Thanks Again,  
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**A hippo weighs about 100 pounds at birth.**



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**A horsefly's tastebuds are on its feet.**



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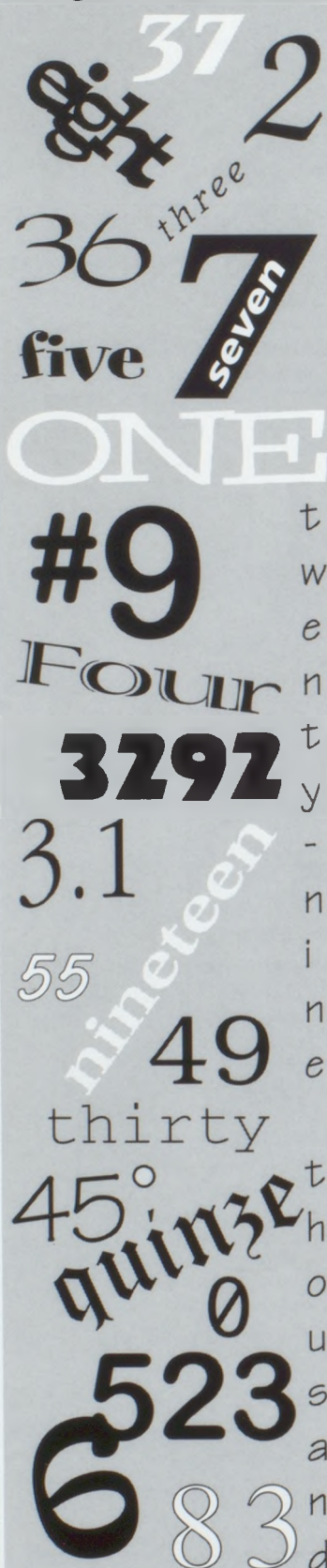


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Pictured: Andy Vis, Derek Kim, Dan Koenig, Jason Brehmer, John Peitzman

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"We buried John Peitzman in the sand, he looked really funny because we formed a body around him twice his size." -Derek Kim '98

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-Gina Porto '98

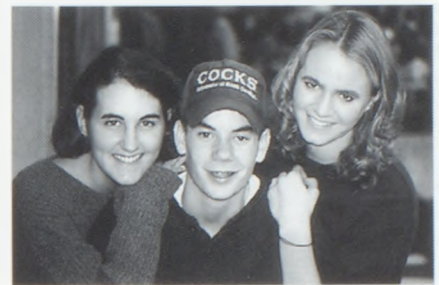
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"I don't like the new law, I think things were fine they way they were. It's not fair to teenagers who can't drive yet." -Katie Miller '01

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Pictured: Anne Sciorrotta, Chris Goode, Kelli Brown

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"I got the name in second grade, and I've had to live with it ever since. It's getting annoying being named after a food." -Anne Sciorrotta '95

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Pictured: Chris Farley, Chris Rock

## F is for Chris Farley

"Tommy Boy was one of his best movies, it's a classic. I watch it every once in awhile just to remember him." -John Fiala '00

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## G is for Go, Fight, Win

"You have to support your school. I don't do sports so it looked like an attractive alternative. It helps you learn how to stand up in front of big crowds."  
 -Kyle Beach '01



Pictured: Cathy Cooper, Adam Tilman

## H is for Hepatitis

"When Hepatitis broke out in the Des Moines schools, it was a pain. All the rules about having food changed." -Karolina Czerwinski '99

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Pictured: Michelle Collignon, Melissa Miller

## I is for Index

"Indexing was a pain because we had to index on the notecards and the computer of everyone we had on our pages" -Stephaine Strack '99



## K is for Kinder

"Kinder is a great teacher, some don't appreciate him. The best part about him is his bluntness; he'll tell it how it is." -Dan Johnson '99



## L is for Lunch

"I had just sat down when I got tagged in the back with a carrot. Somehow I ended up with Jello in my pocket." -Justin Grissom '99

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"I got my name when Brooke Miller decided we should have African names. It was spin off from the movie 'Jumanji' -Jen Goode '98

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Pictured: Jerry Springer, Mancow

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"I listen to Mancow every once in awhile. I agree with most everything he says but sometimes he's just wrong." -Jen White '99

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"I help in the guidance office filing. I had a study hall and I wanted a credit so I decided to get a service credit." -Katie Flatt '01

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"No Iowa yearbook has ever won the Neubert award and the best of show in the same year. It is like winning state and nationals." -Leslie Shipp

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"Passing time gives me a chance to talk to friends that I don't see in class. Then I can talk to them without worrying if the teacher's watching."

-Chris Uchytel '00

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"Not only do I go to Quiktrip for the price of their gasoline, but I also love their cappuccino."

-Megan Nyberg '00

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"I like going to Stella's because the waitresses are really funny. They throw straws at you and pour shakes on your head."

-Katie Albrecht '01

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"SoaCahToa is a standard thing most teachers use when teaching geometry to help students remember sine, cosine, and tangent."

-Kay Van Farowe

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"I really appreciate the janitors here. It is really tough to put up with kids like us and I think they do a great job." -Aaron Frasier '00

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"We took out a picture of Chad, a Florida State hat, and his boots. I'm glad we could recognize Chad that way." -Margo McCravy '98

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"Van Dee's is one of my favorite places to go in the summer to get ice cream, especially after watching a softball or baseball game." -Katie Weisz '99



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Pictured: Shelly Nissen, Jodi Peitzman, Sharon Ehm, Kelli Dennis, Emily Haight

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"The women at Johnston all know my name. They all call me Cruiser because I like fast cars and fast women." -John Roarick '99

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"Reading my horoscope is a daily routine because I like to know what's going to happen in the future." -Matt Ring '00

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## Y is for Yo-Yo

"I hadn't played with a yo-yo since fifth grade. Lately I've been playing with them again because they are so much fun." -Sarah Mars '01



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# Go Figure! '98

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**E**lmo, a **five-year-old** spotted puffer fish, swims in his aquarium at Central Campus. He was the oldest fish living there. Elmo was cared for by seniors Theresa Timmins and Celeste Six.  
*photo by Jen Goode*



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Principal Dr. James Casey and Mrs. Linda Kading, president of the Board of Education, hand senior Robert Larson his diploma at commencement. Dr. Casey became principal during the freshman year of the class of '98 and resigned his position after their graduation to become the Director of Human Resources. *photo by Jennifer White*









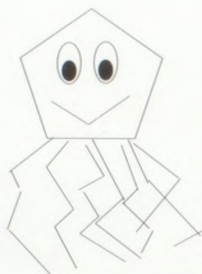








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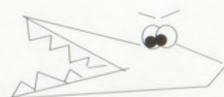
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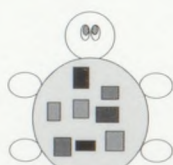
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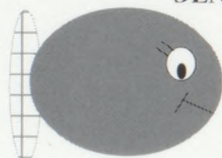
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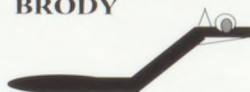
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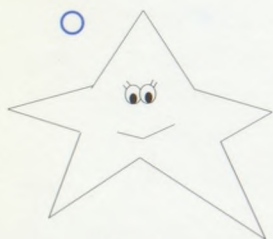
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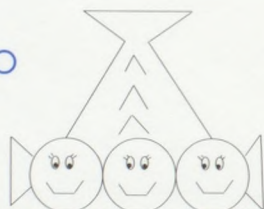
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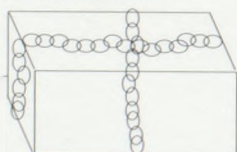


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